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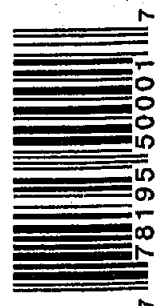


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## Court asked to quash four-day week

By JENNIFER LANG

THE NEW four-day school week is illegal, says a Terrace parent who has asked a judge to order a return to the traditional school calendar in this school district.

In a petition filed in B.C. Supreme Court Oct. 29, Tanis Purcell says the school board's March 1 vote to implement a four-day instructional week is unlawful because the decision was made behind closed doors.

The petition says the Coast Mountains School District also failed to provide adequate notice to parents about the decision to approve the four-day week.

It also argues the board failed to properly notify parents about the meeting when it adopted the 2003-04 school calendar, which deviated from the

traditional five-day week.

The petition also argues the board – which eventually adopted the final calendar with minor changes on May 28 – failed to provide meaningful consultation with parents about the decision.

In doing so, the petition states, the board failed to comply with the School Act – or follow school calendar regulations.

The petition says the school board "failed to comply with, and breached, the rules of natural justice and procedural fairness in refusing to consult or, adequately consult, with parents."

Purcell's affidavit goes on to say she was concerned that there had been no meaningful consultation with parents on the four-day week or consideration of other money-saving alternatives brought

to light by parents after March 1.

The board faced \$5 million in budget cuts last year.

In early January, the school board held a series of public meetings in Terrace and across the district seeking input on various cost-cutting and money-generating ideas being considered in order to balance the budget.

In her affidavit, Purcell said she attended the reconfiguration meetings at Thornhill Junior Secondary but was disappointed at the lack of information provided to parents about the various options the board was looking at, including the four-day school week.

She had hoped to receive detailed information packages outlining anticipated cost-savings and other data.

The four-day school week, a move the

board says is expected to save \$1.4 million, was just one of 50 cost-cutting measures being considered to help balance the budget.

Purcell says in her affidavit the board's cost estimates are flawed.

The board has said the decision to implement a four-day week was based on financial considerations. It was also viewed as a less disruptive option than closing more schools.



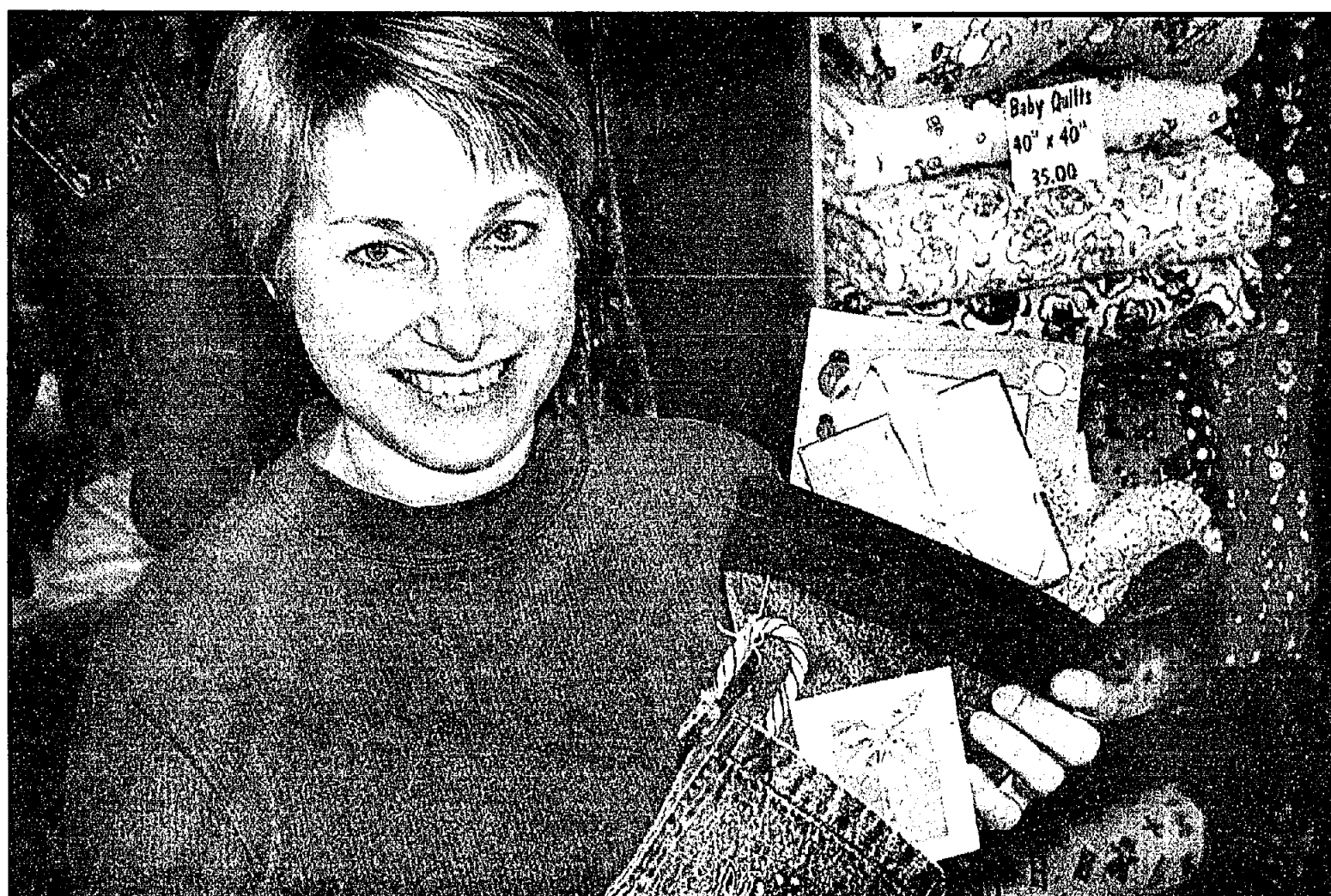
Tanis Purcell

A monitoring committee has been established by the school district to look at the new school week's impact on students.

Meanwhile, Purcell isn't the only parent concerned about the four-day school week.

A group of parents plans to meet with Skeena MLA Roger Harris over the four-day week.

The group is spearheaded by Kitimat resident Denise O'Neill, president of Mount Elizabeth Senior Secondary's parent advisory council.



### She's crafty

DENISE COULTER shows off one of her home-made denim Christmas stockings stuffed with oodles of her other hand made crafts. Coulter was one of 26 vendors selling their wares at the annual Farmers Market Christmas craft sale at the Terrace Arena banquet room last weekend. The hall was jam-packed with shoppers looking for unique Christmas gift ideas. It's one of many craft sales happening in the Terrace area leading up to the holiday.

SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

## Snow, outages plague residents

LOCAL RESIDENTS spent the latter part of last week and into the weekend dealing with constant snowfalls and, for some, power outages.

A total of 32 centimetres of snow and five millimetres of rain fell on Terrace Nov. 27, Environment Canada reported.

It was the sixth heaviest one-day November snowfall for Terrace since record-keeping began in 1953. The heaviest fall in November was Nov. 11 1995, when 38.8 centimetres fell.

The snowfall produced extreme winter driving conditions on northwest roads.

The heavy snowfall, and blowing conditions led ministry of transportation officials to issue travel advisories on most northwestern roads.

Heavy and wet snow either downed lines or caused trees to topple over onto lines, B.C. Hydro officials said.

Large parts of the city and surrounding area were without power for several hours on Nov. 27. For some residents, especially those on the bench, outages continued for more than several hours.

Going into Saturday, Nov. 29, as many as 1,500 customers in the Terrace area and 500 more in the Nass Valley were experiencing power failures. That works out to several thousand people because a customer is actually a billing address.

"Heavy wet snow. That's what it was," B.C. Hydro official Charmaine Edwards said Nov. 28 as crews battled outages.

Particularly hard hit was the Nass Valley village of Kincolith, at the mouth of the Nass River, she said.

But work crews were able to get into the area faster and safer than ever before because of the new road to Kincolith from Greenville, Edwards added.

Not only can they travel the road, but B.C. Hydro has been bringing sections of the power line closer to the road for better access, she said.

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## Creativity, not money, will help out public school system, says MLA

By JENNIFER LANG

SIMPLY ADDING more money to public schooling won't help education, says Skeena MLA Roger Harris.

Instead, he expects school boards to find the most cost-effective way to provide services – even if that means contracting out or leasing closed schools to private schools.

Harris, who met with Coast Mountains School District officials recently, also advocates year-round schooling or having students attend school in shifts.

Harris said the district should consider amalgamating school busses with the city's transit system, and e-learning – using the latest digital and computer technology to connect students with specialty courses and instructors – as other ways to save money.

The province, he said, is trying to introduce a new culture for education. Harris urged people to get used to it – and to keep an open mind about the possibilities.

"I think it's an exciting time in education. I know the teachers will beat me up on this."

Parents tell him they feel the school board isn't listening to their concerns over the four-day week, a cost-saving move introduced this year.

Harris, like education minister Christy Clark, says educational concerns need to come first. "I think Christy is right. At the end of the day, you

should be making decisions that are academically driven. The four-day week is not my first choice."

He favours year-round schooling instead. Under that system, the school year is the same number of days, but there are more frequent vacations and a shorter summer break.

Schools in a community don't even have to be on the same calendar, he said, adding that one school district has just one school on a year-round program.

Harris said he hears all the criticism being levelled at B.C.'s education system.

"But a lot of it is about politics. And because of that, I think school boards are under a lot of pressure."

Board chair Peter King, for example, has publicly said more than once he blames the district's financial woes on the Liberal government.

And in September 2002, the board issued a non-confidence motion in education minister Christy Clark over what trustees described as an inadequate school district budget.

"At the end of the day, it's about education. As we continue to get hung up on ideology, whether it's on the left or the right, we will never get around to actually helping students," said Harris.

So far, the board hasn't changed its official position against renting out closed schools to

private or independent schools.

Harris – a fan of the idea of a First Nations magnet school or renting space to home-school or independent school programs – said it's worth a look.

The board's position stems from fears independent schools could drain more students away from the district.

"That exodus is probably going to happen anyway," he said.

Harris is impressed by the recent actions of the New Westminster school board – it actually opened up a new school inside another school district. The New West board opened a K-7 school for home schoolers in a church basement on Bowen Island in the West Vancouver school district.

Harris said New Westminster officials first canvassed Bowen Island parents who were home schooling their children. The result is the a home school support program on the island.

"It ended up attracting a whole bunch of home schoolers. This is the kind of creative thinking you need to bring to school districts. I would suggest the West Van school district was looking at it from a very traditional model."

"At the end of the day, I would argue they're doing it because it allows them to enhance other resources," he said.

## So who are we?

WELL? WHAT is it? Terracites, Terracians or something else?

The Canadian Oxford Dictionary wants to know because it is readying its new edition for release next fall. So *The Terrace Standard*, in conjunction with the Canadian Oxford Dictionary, is opening it up to the people of Terrace to decide what is the most commonly-used term to describe people who live here – our local equivalent of "Winnipeggers" or "Smithereens".

We'll send the name we receive the most votes for on to the dictionary publishers.

Dictionary researcher Heather Fitzgerald is also looking for the most commonly-used nickname for the city itself, like using "The Soo" as shorthand for Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

It's a chance, says Fitzgerald, to have Terrace and Terrace residents listed in the same dictionary that contains unique Canadian words such as "hoser" and "tuque."

You can send your favourite term for a Terrace resident and/or nickname for the city itself by email to [newsroom@terracestandard.com](mailto:newsroom@terracestandard.com). You can also fax them to us at 638-8432 or mail them to the Terrace Standard at 3210 Clinton St., Terrace, B.C., V8G 5R2. Hurry, though. The two words have to be sent in by Dec. 11.

Jerry Hannon, an on-line reader, has already submitted his choice – Terracites. That doesn't sit well with Gail Stefanik, another on-line reader, who says Terracites sounds like parasites.

She prefers Terrican as it "sounds like Terrace and Canada together."



# Kitimat council launches suit against Alcan power sales

KITIMAT COUNCIL has ordered the town's lawyers to start legal action against Alcan to halt the aluminum giant's exports of electricity.

The goal is to halt the sale of electricity for use anywhere outside of Kitimat, according to the council motion that passed at its Nov. 24 meeting.

Mayor Richard Wozney said the council has no other choice and is being forced to have the agreements legally interpreted by the court in order to stop Alcan power sales.

"We must do it without further delay," he added.

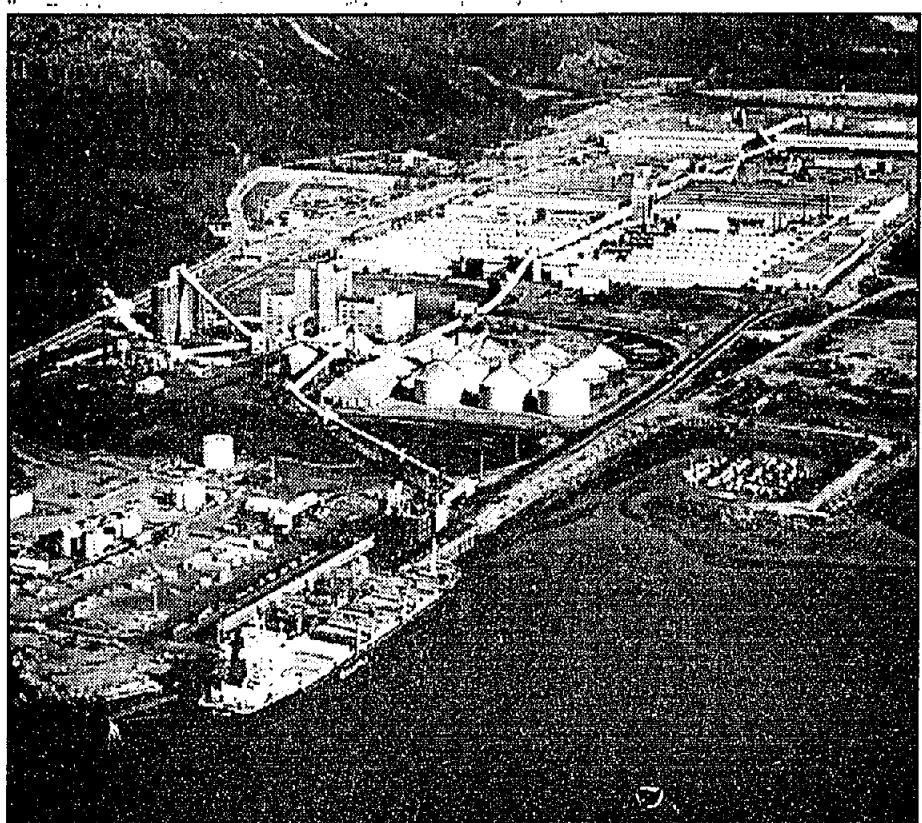
Wozney said a "last-ditch private meeting" with Alcan Nov. 19 failed to meet the city's expectations.

"Alcan's Dick Lee reconfirmed that the company plans to continue to pursue power sales, and he confirmed there will be no smelter expansion at Kitimat," he said.

"Council remains committed to having all the publicly owned water resource used for its intended purpose — that is power for investment and jobs in the aluminum industry."

Predicting there would be no expanded aluminum industry here so long as Alcan was allowed to sell power, Wozney said the city wanted "Alcan to grow the aluminum industry as it promised in 1987, 1990 and most recently in 1997."

"We have exhausted all avenues to have the BC government stop power sales," he said. "As a



ALCAN DOESN'T use all the power it generates for its Kitimat aluminum smelter (pictured above). It already sells excess power and wants to sell more, a situation Kitimat municipal council now wants to prevent through court action.

community we must do what we can to protect what we have remaining."

Wozney said the timing of the action would be at the discretion of the city.

Alcan officials expressed disappointment and surprise that the city has decided to drop the writ.

Corporate affairs manager Colleen Nyce flatly denies Wozney's claim that company officials told him there would be no expansion of the Kitimat smelter.

Nyce said the company has not ruled out an expansion but is not in a po-

sition now to make a decision on the issue.

"And certainly a law suit against Alcan or that includes Alcan is not a winning condition. That was explained very clearly," Nyce added.

A further statement by the company indicated Alcan thought another meeting between the town, the company, and the province might come in early December.

"Alcan is presently reviewing all its options and will vigorously defend itself against any legal action taken by the District

of Kitimat," the statement said.

It said a court challenge is "not a constructive way" to address Kitimat's economic problems, adding it will only result in Alcan freezing its decision-making on matters in this region.

"Actions of this nature tend to be measured in years rather than months," the company statement said. "By creating greater uncertainty, the district's action will further erode the investment climate in Kitimat."

## Weekly Weather Report

Talk to a forecaster at 1-866-640-6369

NOVEMBER 2003			
D A Y	Max Temp °C	Min Temp °C	Total Precip mm
21	-6.9	-10.3	0.0
22	-4.1	-8.1	4.4
23	-0.2	-4.3	5.4
24	0.4	-2.9	4.0
25	1.9	-0.6	1.4
26	1.8	0.8	1.8
27	2.2	-0.2	44.6

NOVEMBER 2002			
D A Y	Max Temp °C	Min Temp °C	Total Precip mm
21	10.5	2.7	13.4
22	8.2	1.8	0.0
23	2.9	0.7	0.0
24	2.3	-0.9	0.0
25	0.9	-0.9	1.2
26	4.0	-0.1	0.8
27	4.0	-1.1	0.8

### WINTER MAINTENANCE

Winter is here and with it comes winter driving conditions. Motorists should be aware that despite maintenance efforts, they are still going to encounter hazardous conditions on the highways. Drifting snow, black ice, compact snow and slush can occur at anytime. Motorists must drive with more caution throughout the winter months and expect to encounter a full range of winter driving conditions. The best defense against winter mishaps is to slow down! This has been a message for your winter driving safety from Nechako Northcoast Maintenance.

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## From front

# Heavy snow affects thousands

"It's making a difference in what they do," Edwards said of the work going on.

A landslide at the Khyex River between Terrace and Prince Rupert in the early morning hours of Nov. 28 cut off the Pacific Northern Gas (PNG) natural gas pipeline to that coastal city and nearby Port Edward, resulting in several nights of chilly temperatures for close to 15,000 people.

"It's making a difference in what they do," Edwards said of the work going on.

Provincial officials were also worried for while on Nov. 28 that the blocked river would flood nearby Hwy16.

PNG brought in tankers full of gas from down south to help ease shortages while repair work went on.

A THREE-VEHICLE crash on the Terrace-Kitimat highway claimed the life of Kitimat Village resident Leona Williams, 59. The car she was driving was hit from behind by a van while travelling southbound on Hwy 37.

The collision caused her car to spin out of control into the northbound

lane resulting in a head on collision with pick-up truck, says Cpl. Carl Johnston of the Kitimat RCMP.

The accident happened at 10 a.m. Nov. 27 forcing police to close the highway for several hours.

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- Students may work up to seven hours on a non-school day.
- Students may work up to 20 hours in a week when school is in session for five days, or 35 hours in a week when school is out.
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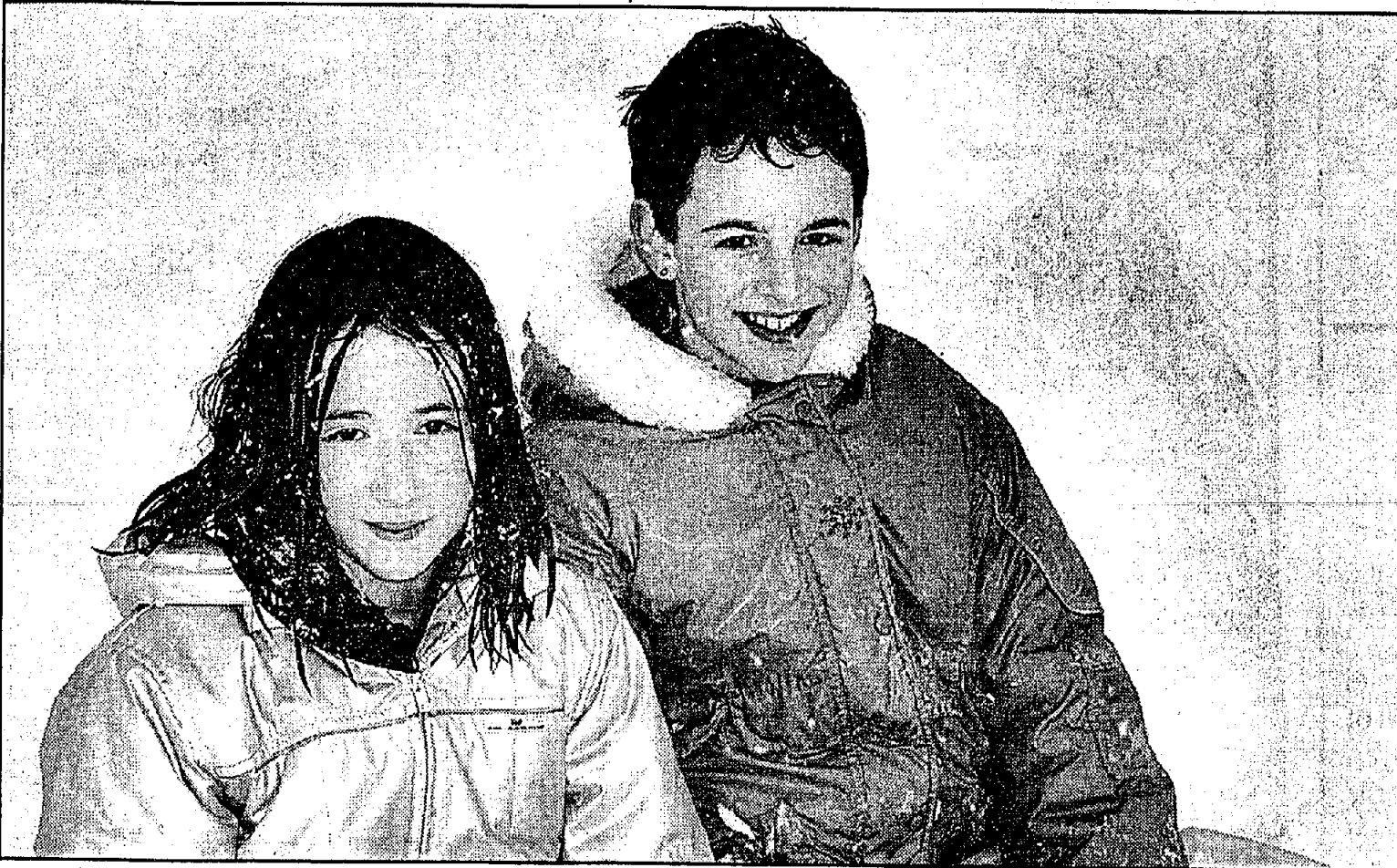
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## ■ Frosty fun

MICHELLE McCOLLMAN, 11, and pal Jill Mack, 11, take a breather from sledding at Northwest Community College Nov. 29. Piles of fresh snow proved irresistible for the girls careening down the popular tobogganing hill. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

## Twinkling lights herald annual contest

And don't forget the parade downtown this Saturday

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS are even more bright this year thanks to last week's snowfalls as the festive season has officially begun in the area.

And that means it's once again time for the annual Christmas lights decorating contest.

There are four categories this year - best home, best effort, best apartment/mobile and best commercial.

The contest is sponsored by *The Terrace Standard* in conjunction with the B.C. Northern Real Estate Board and the Terrace Beautifica-

tion Society and local businesses and is an official event of the city's 75th anniversary celebrations.

Winners will receive plaques and an acknowledgment in *The Terrace Standard*. The judging night is Thursday, Dec. 18 and the judges are local realtors and members of the beautification society.

Send entries to *The Terrace Standard* at 3210 Clinton Ave., Terrace, B.C. V8G 5R2; or fax to 638-8432 or email them to [newsroom@terracestandard.com](mailto:newsroom@terracestandard.com). The deadline is 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 16.

And if you see any displays you think others would enjoy, contact *The Terrace Standard* at

the above addresses and we'll be glad to publish the location.

Lights of the more mobile kind will take to the streets this Saturday, Dec. 6 with the 6th annual Kermode Christmas Parade of Lights organized by the Terrace Tourism Society. It leads off at 6 p.m. at the foot of Lakelse and Eby, winding down Lakelse before turning at Kalum St. and ending at George Little Park.

The Thornhill Junior Secondary School band will provide music, Santa will be there and there'll be hot chocolate. Donations of non-perishable food items and new, unwrapped gifts for the Salvation Army's relief efforts are appreciated.

## News In Brief

### Shelter needs food

THE NEED for food at the Terrace Emergency Shelter and Hostel is growing beyond the budget it has, and that's leading to a community call for assistance.

"We're going to need a lot of help," shelter worker Blaine Stensgaard said last week. "In the past the community has really come through and we're hoping for the same this year."

On average, the shelter, operated by the Ksan House Society, prepares 18 meals, three times a day. It has a capacity to temporarily house nearly 20 people.

"Canned goods, tomato sauce, anything non perishable is welcome," said Stensgaard.

"Last year we received a lot of food and it lasted a very, very long time," he said.

The shelter will also host a Christmas Day dinner for occupants and for others in the community. This year it will be held in memory of Robert Wesley, a local street person who died in October.

"Robert was a good friend of the shelter," said Stensgaard.

Donations can be made through the shelter at 635-5890 or the Ksan House Society at 635-2373.

### New chair named

PRINCE RUPERT Grain Ltd. maintenance superintendent Mark Newbery has been elected as the new chair of the Northwest Community College board.

Previously the vice chair, Newbery replaces Terrace educator Dr. Ed Harrison who is approaching the end of his allowable term on the board. Harrison, on the board since 1998, has been chair for the past three years. The college has had three presidents during Harrison's time on the board. His allowable term ends next July.

Penny Denton, also from Prince Rupert, is the new vice chair.

The other community members of the college board, appointed by the provincial government, are Ted Bobb from Smithers, John Bower from Kitimat, Claudette Lavoie from the Queen Charlotte Islands, John Nester from Terrace and Charlotte Sullivan from Hazelton. Their terms run until July 2005.

The board also contains student, native, staff and faculty members.

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## Been there ...

...and done that.

Once again northwestern eyes turn down south to a Vancouver courtroom for another instalment of "As the Mill Turns," a mini-series involving the trials and tribulations of Repap/Skeena Cellulose Inc./New Skeena Forest Products.

And once again a court-appointed monitor and phalanx of lawyers will go through the entrails of what was once the northwest's largest employer.

Unlike 1997 and 2001, the move by the company to bankruptcy protection is different because we're missing one major player - the provincial government.

In 1997 there were cries for provincial assistance, resulting in a now perhaps ill-advised intervention by the then-NDP government which cost taxpayers and northwestern businesses more than a half a billion dollars.

There were similar cries for help in 2001 but the new Liberal government of the day, flexing its tough-love election promise of no subsidies and no assistance, allowed the company to slip away.

This time there's been nary a muted cry for provincial assistance from a battle-weary and psychologically-battered northwestern B.C.

Why is that? For one thing, the company's mills haven't operated for more than two years, meaning there is no immediate massive job loss. That pain has mostly been dealt with. The northwest isn't missing what it doesn't have. Enough people have moved away and the economy has shrank to the point where the northwest has adjusted, as grim as things have become. New Skeena is almost irrelevant to whatever future there is here.

No matter that food banks are a growth industry depending upon massive volunteer help and generous assistance from the public, companies and non-profit groups. No matter that virtually every school in the district now has either a breakfast or a lunch program or both.

The key thing to consider here is that the Liberal government wants a northwest free of state intervention, at least when it comes to forestry and a company that was once the foundation of the regional economy.

This may ultimately be a very good thing. Yet it is a very long journey. Skeena MLA Roger Harris has persistently said the hope for the northwest relies on many small forestry players and has been doing his utmost to free up a wood supply to that end.

But those of us who are left should ask why the northwest is being singled out for such treatment. Down south, the provincial government has no problem in a massive infusion of public monies to act as a springboard for the 2010 Winter Olympics.

As the song goes, "Alone again, naturally."



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CANADA'S SCHOOLS PROVIDE FERTILE GROUND FOR INFILTRATION BY CORPORATE AMERICA

## NDP cannot win with a woman

VICTORIA - The big winner at the NDP leadership convention two weekends ago was Gordon Campbell.

Women have been spectacularly unsuccessful as party leaders in Canada.

Remember Kim Campbell, who presided as leader over the implosion of the federal Tories?

Or how about Rita Johnston, under whose stewardship the B.C. Soereds were wiped out? And then there are the current and previous federal NDP leaders, both women, who in spite of their best efforts failed to inspire the public.

Carole James, the new leader of the B.C. NDP is a very nice woman. I mean that in a positive sense. The former Victoria school board president wouldn't know how to hurt a fly, leave alone do it.

Someone said on the convention floor that it might "take a good woman" to clean up the mess made by men. James said later she wouldn't mind being that woman.

Well, she now is. Unfortunately, nice and good don't cut it in the blood sport known as politics in British Columbia.

The 45-year-old James is also about as exciting as low-cal cream cheese.

FROM THE CAPITAL  
HUBERT BEYER

She's no Joy MacPhail whose performance as half the opposition in the legislature has been awe-inspiring.

Had MacPhail run for the leadership, she would have been a shoe-in, and I would have been far more optimistic about the NDP's chances of making a credible comeback, probably not to government, but at least strong opposition status, proving my theory about women party leaders wrong.

James, on the other hand, seems unlikely to prove me wrong.

Don't get me wrong. I wish James all the luck, not just for her sake, but for the sake of the democratic process, which needs a strong opposition to keep the

government in check.

In fairness to James it must also be said that none of the contenders for the leadership set the convention on fire.

There was a lot of Liberal bashing, which is bound to go over well at an NDP convention, but is no substitute for laying out in forceful terms a different vision for the future of the province.

James won the leadership contest with relative ease, defeating Leonard Krog and Nils Jensen on the second ballot.

That was the easy part. The real challenge begins now. Not only must she inspire good candidates to line up against the Liberals in the 2005 election, she also must begin filling the coffers to finance the next battle.

That requires not only organisational skills but a lot of arm-twisting as well.

MacPhail wisely declined Premier Gordon Campbell's offer not to run a candidate in a by election, should the new leader want to get into the legislature immediately.

"In his dreams," was how she put it, because not only would she or Jenny Kwan have to resign their seats, but the new leader would be tied up in the legislature, unable to beat the NDP drum in all ridings, but

she'd be a virtual dog's breakfast for the Liberals because of her lack of experience.

James' task of rebuilding the party after the disaster of the last election begins right now.

She will have to travel the width and breadth of the province to fire up the troops and tell people to shore up the election campaign coffers.

As a very modest start, James should tell someone to give the provincial NDP's website a makeover.

There is no link to any of the riding associations. Inviting visitors to leave a get-well note for Mike Harcourt is a nice gesture, which Mikey appreciates. I'm sure, but what the site needs is a little more information.

She must also assemble a team that prepares a distinct platform for the next election. A lot of NDP supporters naively believe that the Liberals will be defeated on their record alone. In their dreams.

I said at the outset that Gordon Campbell was the big winner at the convention.

Let me conclude on a more positive note: I would like nothing better than be proven wrong by James.

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## Teens need nutritional help

ENTHUSIASTIC REACTION of viewers to the obvious success of the adults on Dr. Phil's Ultimate Weight Loss Challenge has inspired him to organize an ultimate weight loss challenge for teenagers.

Again, we'll be able to follow dieters' progress as they learn to control their weight by revamping their lifestyle rather than starving themselves.

Prior to announcing this second weight loss challenge, Dr. Phil's son Jay reviewed university research and interviewed thousands of American teenagers. His finding are disturbing.

Girls as young as 9 feel they are too heavy. Almost 50 per cent of 10 year old girls believe they are overweight. And over 40 per cent of girls age 9 and 10 are happier when they are on a diet.

Ten year olds don't obsess about their weight unless those around them obsess. If they hear Mom or big sister complaining about her ample butt, thick thighs, or second chin every time she passes a mirror, little wonder if the youngster decides she, too, is a cow.

THROUGH BIFOCALS  
CLAUDETTE SANDECKI

The same sex parent has the most influence on a child. So if the kid looks like Mom, and Mom says her body has defects, the child is bound to conclude that she, too, is a defective human being.

Herding teens together five days a week (okay, in Coast Mountains School District it's only four days a week) gives them ample opportunity to

compare themselves to their peers and to be ridiculed.

Even teens of normal weight may feel they need to lose as much as 50 pounds.

Fifty pounds could well make them anorexic, but no matter. Their view is unrealistic.

In addition, those who believe they are overweight look at a normal weight peer and wish they were equally skinny. Yet the normal weight teen is probably labelling herself a fatso and dieting to drop 20 pounds. Both teens think if only they could lose weight, their life would be perfect.

But as one astute teen said, "Losing 50 pounds doesn't make your life perfect. You'll only find something else you want to change about yourself."

Much better for parents to help a teen celebrate her good points, sense of humour, musical ability, skill on the volleyball court, being a loyal friend, getting along well with people and countering her negative self-talk with deserved praise and encouragement.

This can be difficult. As an aid, Jay McGraw has published a

teen version based on Dr. Phil's book. The Ultimate Weight Solution for Teens has not yet reached Terrace store shelves, nor has his second book, Closing the Gap, which offers families help reconnecting with estranged teenagers.

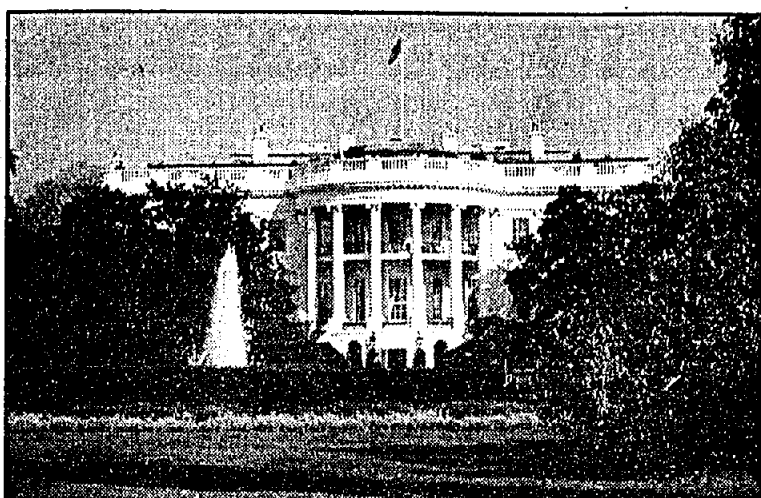
Without reading Jay's book I know it is a guide to altering lifestyle following Dr. Phil's seven keys. Believe you can lose weight to a healthy level. Heal the feelings that drive you to overeat. Rid your environment of junk food. Curb impulse eating. Buy foods that take longer to consume. Exercise daily. And keep company with folks who support your weight loss efforts.

One thing teenagers want is help dieting without drawing attention to themselves when they are in the presence of their peers. To eat a tossed salad while others stuff themselves on burgers and fries invites ridicule.

Teens lack nutritional knowledge. They also depend upon Mom to shop for and prepare healthy meals so they can lose weight slowly, safely.







# Close U.S. ties enrich, addict us

The North American Free Trade Agreement turns 10 in January. Terrace Standard reporter Jeff Nagel and eight other Canadian journalists were chosen to attend trade policy briefings with officials in Ottawa and Washington D.C. in late October.

**T**HIS ISN'T how it was supposed to be under free trade. By now virtually everything left in Canada was supposed to be owned by Americans – that is the stuff that hadn't already been crated up and shipped south of the border. Our environmental standards would collapse. Our culture would be overrun. We'd be clothed, swaddled and gagged by the stars and stripes, whether we liked it or not.

And behind it all was then-prime minister Brian Mulroney, who had sold our national soul to the American devils.

On the whole it has been more subtle and less dramatic than many Canadians expected either 15 years ago when Canada-U.S. free trade was born or 10 years ago when it expanded to include Mexico under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Canada-U.S. trade has tripled in the years of free trade to \$678 billion a year. That's \$1.9 billion of trade crossing the border a day, or \$1 million a minute.

Protected by a free trade exemption, Canadian culture thrived. We've kept minimum Canadian content rules in place that bolster made-at-home TV productions, musicians, and authors.

And from diva Celine Dion to Salter Street, the company behind both *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* and Michael Moore's film *Bowling for Columbine*, CanCon is doing fine both at home and abroad.

Free trade did unleash foreign investment, sending surges of money across the border in both directions.

U.S. companies headed for the Alberta oil patch and bought up

Canadian energy firms. And the single most visible symbol of American economic dominance – the Wal-Mart store – has spread across the land and into Terrace.

But remember, the 49th parallel was supposed to be erased altogether by now.

If you've forgotten the predictions of the late 1980s, dust off the library's copy of *Canada Not For Sale*. Its cover features an American bald eagle flapping away with the Canadian flag and bears the subtitle "Why you may lose your job. How the quality of your life will deteriorate. Why you may lose your cultural heritage. How Canada may disappear as a country – if Brian Mulroney has his way."

In it, free trade opponent Mel Hurtig forecast everything from



THE WHITE HOUSE in Washington and Parliament Hill in Ottawa are increasingly bound by economic and trade ties.

ger, our economies more robust, our peoples more prosperous, our social structures more resilient, our capital markets more stable, our roles in the world more vigorous as a result of NAFTA."

The rosy view from central and eastern Canada of course neglects B.C.'s misery fighting U.S. protectionism on softwood lumber.

British Columbians are apt to spit at the suggestion Canada enjoys "free" trade with the U.S.

Critics here can also point to other questionable side effects of free trade – the provincial government's colossal forest policy reforms to deal with U.S. complaints and the restructuring of B.C. Hydro to fit the new continental energy grid.

Federal stats show NAFTA has done much less for B.C. than for Quebec and Ontario, which make up 72 per cent of Canadian exports to the U.S.

In Ottawa, however, trade experts doggedly point to the big

And that creates vulnerability – to any American economic downturn as well as other challenges.

When terrorists struck American soil two years ago, Washington immediately tightened the border and now contemplates new measures that threaten economic havoc for Canada.

Americans are understandably obsessed with security right now, says Ben Rowsell of the Centre for Strategic and International Studies. And that makes it our problem as well.

"It's the number one issue for our number one partner," Rowsell said. "There's still a real climate of fear that the country is under attack."

The new U.S. Department of Homeland Security now houses nearly as many employees as the entire Canadian government, he noted.

"We see the border as an economic demarcation," Rowsell said. "Americans see it as a security line."

The U.S. perception is that the Canadian border is a sieve, leaking at best Canadian marijuana, at worst Al Qaeda terrorists.

Trade experts like Michael Hart at Carleton University's Centre for Trade Policy and Law say Canada must consider unusual solutions or risk the economic gains won under free trade.

A car component can now cross the border several times before being installed, he said. Manufacturers count on just-in-time deliveries from cross-border suppliers.

"What you're seeing develop is a North American industrial base rather than a Canadian and a U.S. industrial base," Hart said.

That will generate tremendous pressure in the months and years ahead to forge something of a common security perimeter around North America, allowing unimpeded business within that zone.

It's a path that could lead all the way to a customs union, a common currency, and harmonized regulations of the sort Mel Hurtig and his ilk have long feared.

If you think we've Americanized so far under NAFTA, you ain't seen nothing yet.

## NAFTA @ 10

Last in a series marking 10 years of North American free trade

A special report by Jeff Nagel

labour standards to environmental rules would be lowered to match U.S. policy.

"Goodbye medicare, hello privatization," Hurtig wrote. "Goodbye east-west, hello north-south. Goodbye distinct Canadian values, hello America!"

So what happened?

Mulroney, who did get his way, argues things have turned out pretty swell.

"The fear mongering of those who predicted massive losses of jobs, the curtailing of sovereignty, a race to the bottom in environmental and social policy have proved hollow," the former PM told an audience in Washington last year.

"Our countries are much stron-

picture.

Today, they say, Canada, the U.S. and Mexico form the world's largest trading bloc. (A deceptive stat: The U.S. is so huge if it had an exclusive trade deal with Liechtenstein, those two would be the biggest trade bloc.)

But the point is Canada has access to the U.S. market that is the envy of the rest of the world.

Americans now buy nearly 81 per cent of all Canada's exports, up 10 per cent from 1989.

No other country enjoys such close trade with the world's largest, most powerful economy.

Being tight with the U.S. creates new problems, however.

We now depend much more on preserving our trade with the U.S.

## Water is still our hot button

IT'S STILL the big bogeyman of free trade.

Ten years after the inking of the North America Free Trade Agreement, we Canadians remain easily alarmed that thirsty Americans will someday come after our water.

Just this fall a majority of towns across B.C. voted on and passed a new resolution to ban bulk water exports.

It all induces chuckles in Ottawa at Carleton University's Centre for Trade Policy and Law.

The dire warnings about the threat to our water are basically all wet, says Dr. Michael Hart, the centre's founding director and an advisor to Canada in the negotiation of NAFTA.

"We think this is basically a hysterical reaction to a non-problem," Hart says.

The issue is rooted in international trade law, including NAFTA provisions.

They say that once a commodity enters the stream of commerce, certain rules take hold. Among them, countries agree not to impose export bans. They also agree to give trading partners equal access to the commodity in the event of shortage.

The fear is that once large volume water exports to the U.S. begin, those rules will leave Canadians powerless to stop the transfer of more and more.

Critics say water must be specifically exempted from trade deals to permanently end that threat.

Fuelling the fears are the wild schemes that have been floated over the years to send Canadian water to the parched U.S. southwest.

One would have flooded the entire Rocky Mountain trench, turning it into a giant canal to zip Canadian water to California.

Then there's the Great Recycling and Northern Diversion (GRAND) Canal Project. It

would have dyked off and drained ocean water out of James Bay to convert it to a fresh water reservoir. The bay would refill with fresh water that would be conveyed through a complex series of canals and dams to the U.S.

Hart says the vast cost of such projects makes economics a far bigger factor than trade policy. Massive diversions would invariably cost something like 10 to 20 times the cost of desalination of ocean water, he said.

"Logistically it's economically impossible," adds David Biette, director of the Canada Institute in Washington D.C. "It's too expensive to go in and get bulk Canadian water. So it's not an issue."

Even if water did fall under NAFTA commodity rules, Hart says nothing would stop Canadian jurisdictions from blocking water export schemes on the basis of environment regulations, land-use rules, or any number of other mechanisms.

Eminent B.C. resource specialist Peter Pearce says kneejerk responses to water export policy neglect the facts.

"A general prohibition just doesn't make any sense," he says.

Pearce points out Vancouver right now supplies water to the U.S. residents of Point Roberts, just across the border.

"We already export water," he said. "I can't see any reason why you would want to restrict that."

Even tanker water exports of the type that have been eyed in B.C. are relatively innocuous, Pearce says. The same, he says, goes for the export of glacier ice for sale in cocktail lounges in Tokyo.

But long-term, Pearce thinks big water diversions are the bigger threat and may not be as hare-brained as some think – even if econo-

mics make them a long shot.

"That's not really much of a guarantee because governments in the U.S. and Canada have never been very rigorous about sticking to projects that yield a net economic return."

One of the closest would-be bulk water exporters to this area has lost its licence.

White Bear Water Ltd. had a licence to export more than 5,800 acre feet of water per year – one of the largest licences in B.C. (An acre-foot is equivalent to the amount of water necessary to flood an acre of land to a depth of one foot.)

The water would be withdrawn from Whalen Lake, on Princess Royal Island, about 100 kilometres southwest of Kitimat.

The water, instead of flowing out a creek and over a cliff into the ocean, was to be removed by bulk tankers at a maximum rate of 21 million gallons per day.

Legislation passed in 1995 bans the issuing of new licences, but White Bear's was one of five grandfathered in.

The licence had first been issued in 1990 to Kermode H2O Export Ltd., which never extracted any water and went bankrupt after failing to pay government fees.

White Bear bought the licence but failed to meet government deadlines to begin work, triggering the cancellation.

Although one bulk tanker export licence covering up to 200 acre feet per year on the south coast remains active, all other coastal licences have been cancelled or abandoned. White Bear's was by far the largest.

Also cancelled was Tenajon Resources licence for the removal of up to 40 million gallons per year of packaged ice from the Salmon Glacier near Stewart.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

## The Mail Bag

### Slippery roads

Dear Sir:

I'm commenting on your Nov. 25 website Web Extra report of the accident on Nov. 24 north of Terrace on the Kalum Lake Drive. You had to be there to see it for yourself. We were not speeding. The roads were good up until that area. Question the highway workers on why the highway wasn't closed or if that particular area has been a crash area for other vehicles. Hitting black ice is like snap your finger, and everything is messed up.

You wanna make money on a story, question the road workers on why the road wasn't closed until they finished plowing, sanding and salting the roads.

Lyla Doolan, Nass Valley, B.C.

### What happened to Robert Wesley?

Dear Sir:

This is a correction to the Oct. 22 story about Robert Wesley's death. Robert was not admitted to the hospital on Oct. 3. He was admitted on Sunday, Sept. 28 and there he stayed until his death in the early hours of Oct. 4. We feel the community needs to know the events leading up to his death, then maybe they will wonder why more wasn't said about this unfortunate incident.

On Sept. 26, 2003 at 8 p.m. Robert's friend came to Robert's sister's door and asked her to call the police. Someone had kicked in the door of Robert's apartment and beaten and kicked both himself and Robert while they slept.

She could see the friend was beaten up and asked where Robert was. He told her he was still in his apartment. She called the RCMP and they came. Robert, meanwhile, had been sent to the hospital in a taxi.

Robert's niece then came over and asked her mom to call the RCMP again as there was a man passed out at their front door. When the police arrived Robert was in the car, apparently having come back from the hospital. When he saw the man passed out he pointed and said that was the person who had beaten him and his friend.

On Sept. 27 Robert was to give a statement to the RCMP. He was in no position to do so as he had obviously suffered a head injury from this attack, and had to keep going to the hospital to stop his nose from bleeding. On Sept. 28, Robert let his sister know the same man was threatening him and his friend so they were going to the emergency shelter.

While at the shelter Robert's nose kept gushing blood and no one was able to stop the bleeding so the staff sent him to the hospital once again. This time he was admitted. Robert's friend told his sister that Robert had been admitted to the hospital. They went to see him and were told that he was detoxing and it wasn't pretty. They couldn't see him and were told to come back the next day.

On Sept. 29 we tried to see Robert again and were told the same thing. We thought this was strange as we had watched Robert detox before and it was nothing like they were implying. His symptoms were usually a surly attitude and a very bad case of the shakes, so why couldn't we see him?

We were not allowed to see him until Tuesday, Sept. 30. When we arrived we were in for a big shock. He didn't recognize us and even seemed afraid. It was very unsettling, if we didn't know him we would have thought that he suffered from a mental disability. He was incoherent and not himself. He pulled the sheets up over his head and hid the whole time we were there. This definitely wasn't our Robert. Robert had very strong family values and enjoyed spending time with family members.

On Oct. 1 Robert was sleeping when we came to visit and didn't so much as stir for over an hour. Hospital personnel advised us that Robert had gone missing the night before and was later found curled up in a supply closet. They said he was acting disoriented and kept trying to take his IV out.

Hospital personnel felt that they had to post a guard in his room and strap his one arm to the bed to stop him from trying to pull out the IV. He now required constant supervision. Robert was deathly afraid of hospitals because he said his friends always die there. He shared this feeling with only his closest friends and family.

Oct. 2 was much the same, he was sleeping when we went to visit. When we asked why he was always sleeping we were informed that it was his medication. We are not sure what kind of medication this was.

On Oct. 3 Robert was awake when we got there and was even permitted to sit outside to visit with us. At the time we were so happy, this must mean he was getting better. While visiting it became clear that something wasn't quite right.

Robert seemed unable to speak, his lips would move but no words would come out. He would become agitated if any of us strayed too far from him and he seemed to be having problems breathing – hoarse, shallow breaths. Robert was called in for dinner. As his brother was getting up to leave Robert grabbed his arm and mouthed "take care of me."

The hospital called his sister at 1:30 a.m. on Oct. 4 to advise her that Robert had passed. They told her that shortly after midnight the security guard had gone in to check on Robert and found he wasn't breathing. Staff tried to revive him with no success.

His stay at the hospital has left us with many questions. Friends had tried to see him and were turned away. A close friend and support worker had tried to see him on Oct. 3 and was told she couldn't as he was too sick. She wondered about this comment as she was under the impression that he was there so medical staff could try to stop his nose from bleeding.

The Family of Robert Edward Wesley, Terrace, B.C.

### About the Mail Bag

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# Welfare stats aren't as rosy as Skeena MLA is claiming

Dear Sir:

I feel obliged to respond to some of the comments made by Skeena Liberal MLA Roger Harris in the Nov. 19, 2003 article about welfare cuts.

His comments that the union's predictions about the dire results of welfare time limits are irresponsible. He cites the outcome to the reform of handicap benefits as proof that the case is being overstated.

However, Mr. Harris fails to point out that it was only after the unions, anti-poverty groups and advocates for the disabled spoke out, that the planned cuts to disability benefits were softened.

In the case of the welfare time limits, the outcomes that are being predicted are simply based on the logical outcome of the implementation of Liberal legislation, if it goes forward as written.

The only thing that would mitigate the outcome, is if Mr. Harris and his colleagues alter their plan.

Mr. Harris has confused enlightened social activism, with irresponsibility. The Liberals don't like opposition in the house. Apparently they don't like it in the community either.

Roger Harris also comments on job creation which is interesting since his government has chased scores of union jobs and workers out of our community.

He claims that welfare recipients are finding jobs, what in fact is occurring is that people are being placed in job readiness, and job search programs, which provides creative politicians the opportunity to manipulate statistics and fool the citizens.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE TERRACE STANDARD

## The Mail Bag



Don Philpott

Who is being irresponsible? In citing job creation statistics, and pretending that they have any substance whatsoever in the northwest, Roger Harris is being irresponsible and misleading.

The creation of low paying part time service industry jobs anywhere is no substitute for union wages and benefits that support families in communities.

In the northwest we have not seen an increase in any type of employment and a few new jobs at Wal-Mart will not make a dent in regional unemployment.

In conclusion, Mr. Harris, selling an asset like Skeena Cellulose to an underfinanced company that has not met its obligation to re-employ workers in our community is irresponsible.

Harassing and bullying the poor and less fortunate is simply heartless and inhumane.

Don Philpott,  
Terrace, B.C.

## Don't let another 'Robert' slip away

Dear Sir:

Terrace has lost Robert Wesley, a kind, caring, man who was full of compassion and would quite frequently give his last dollar away to help someone in need.

He would rake lawns, pick up garbage and help elderly residents to shovel their walks in the winter.

Most of you probably avoided him and turned your noses up, but beneath that scruffy exterior was the most beautiful person I have ever met. I am proud to call him my friend and I am so grateful that I had the opportunity to see him for who he truly was.

I am sorry that the majority of our community is not able to see past outer appearances and into the heart of so many of our less fortunate residents because we have so many beautiful people here - if you take the time to look.

Please open your eyes and your hearts and don't let another "Robert" fade away without asking why?

Tanya Gauvin,  
Terrace Anti-Poverty Group Society,  
Terrace, B.C.

## A little sand would prevent accidents

Dear Sir:

Here we are again in wintry bliss, with one small problem. The roads are atrocious. As in other years, I am waiting for another fatal incident to get city snowcleaning crews as well as Nechako Northcoast to get out there.

I have been driving around town and watching people slide through intersections. A little sand here and there before there is a fatal accident would be the smart thing to do.

Let us not lose more of our loved ones over saving a few bucks.

Dawn Inskip, Terrace, B.C.

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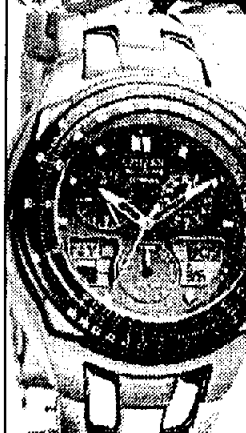
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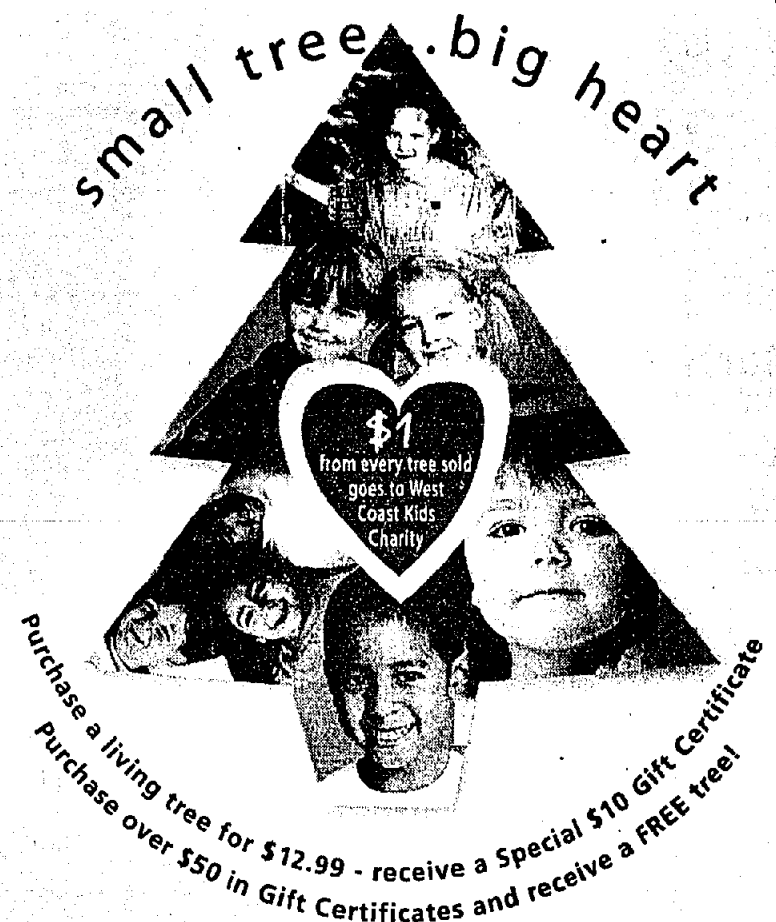


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## Here's how you can help out

WITH THE Christmas holiday season fast approaching, we present our annual guide to local charities and campaigns that help people in our own community.

### Salvation Army appeal

EACH YEAR, the Salvation Army and its volunteers deliver Christmas hampers to hundreds of local families who might otherwise have little reason to celebrate glad tidings Dec. 25. The hampers are filled with food and gifts.

The annual program coincides with the Salvation Army's Kettle Campaign, which starts tomorrow. When you see the red kettle at Safeway, the Skeena Mall, and the liquor store, please give generously. Money raised supports not only Christmas hampers, but Salvation Army family service work year-round.

### Give a gift

YOU CAN pick out a gift for a specific local child or teen through Terrace Anti-Poverty's annual Children's Christmas Campaign, a program that ensures Santa comes to everyone.

Select a gift tag from Christmas trees set up at Zellers, The Bargain Shop, the Saan store and Curves. The tags contain the first name, age, clothing size of a child or youth. Purchase a gift. Volunteers will wrap and distribute the gifts. Deadline is Dec. 13. Donations of gifts, cash, or food can also be dropped off at Terrace Anti-Poverty at 4628 Park Ave. Call 635-4631 for more information. Terrace Anti Poverty is also hosting a benefit dance Dec. 6 at the legion, starting at 8 p.m. Admission is a gift donation. Couples are asked to also bring a non-perishable food item.

### The Sharing Tree

THE MIX, CJFW, NTV are urging the community to support the Sharing Tree, a campaign in its 32nd year. Donate an unwrapped, brand-new gift suitable for a child, teen, or adult. Gifts for teenagers are always in short supply. Suggestions include gift certificates for clothing, music or activities. Presents are distributed by the Salvation Army along with Christmas Hampers. Drop gifts off at the station office at 4625 Lazelle Ave., or help Totem Ford fill its Sharing Truck with gifts and non-perishable food items.

People are also welcome to bring donations to the Dec. 6 Kermode Christmas parade. Items will be collected along the parade route.

### A special meal

ORGANIZERS OF the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen are once again hosting a party and dinner for families and individuals who would otherwise miss out on a Christmas meal.

Additional volunteers are needed to assist with the Dec. 21 dinner at the Carpenters' Hall - the same location as the Sunday soup kitchen, operated by volunteers from the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Please call 635-2807. Tax deductible donations should be made to RR3, S-3A C-10, Terrace, B.C. V8G 4R6.

### Lighting up the tree

YOU CAN GIVE a gift that lasts all year long by supporting the Terrace Child Development Centre's 17th annual Tree of Lights campaign. Sponsor a red, silver or gold light on the Tree of Lights in the Skeena Mall. Proceeds are used to purchase specialized equipment for children - and support the centre's many programs for special needs children. Those include therapy, education and support, plus prenatal programs for expectant moms and support programs for young parents.

The tree is going up Friday morning and will be displayed to Dec. 15.

## UNBC ranks high

THE UNIVERSITY of Northern B.C. has held onto a top 10 spot in *Maclean's* magazine's annual ranking of Canadian universities.

The Prince George-based university is ranked in seventh place in the country for primarily undergraduate universities in the national news magazine's annual survey and ranking of post-secondary institutions.

That's one up from last year, when UNBC was rated eighth overall in that same category.

"While it's pleasing to see us climb in the ranking, we've always said that UNBC will never be - nor should it be - the number-one university in this category," president Charles Jago said.

"We've always viewed ourselves as a comprehensive university, even though our size is more typical of the primarily undergraduate category."

Another British Columbian institution, the University of Victoria, placed third on the list of comprehensive universities.

UNBC points out *Maclean's* is no longer the only outlet surveying university offerings. A recent survey conducted by the *National Post* placed UNBC 42 out of all universities in Canada.

*Maclean's* gave UNBC full marks for attracting some of the nation's top students, its small class sizes, and calibre of its faculty.

Students entering UNBC from high school have a grade average of more than 80 per cent.

Sixty-two per cent of first and second-year classes have fewer than 25 students. By third and fourth year, that's true of three-quarters of the university's classes.

The quality of the faculty continues to draw positive comments from *Maclean's*. The magazine points out 90 per cent of UNBC's faculty members have a PhD, putting the university in sixth spot in this category.

The nine-year-old university's social science and humanities faculty were rated second-best in the country for their ability to attract federal research grants.

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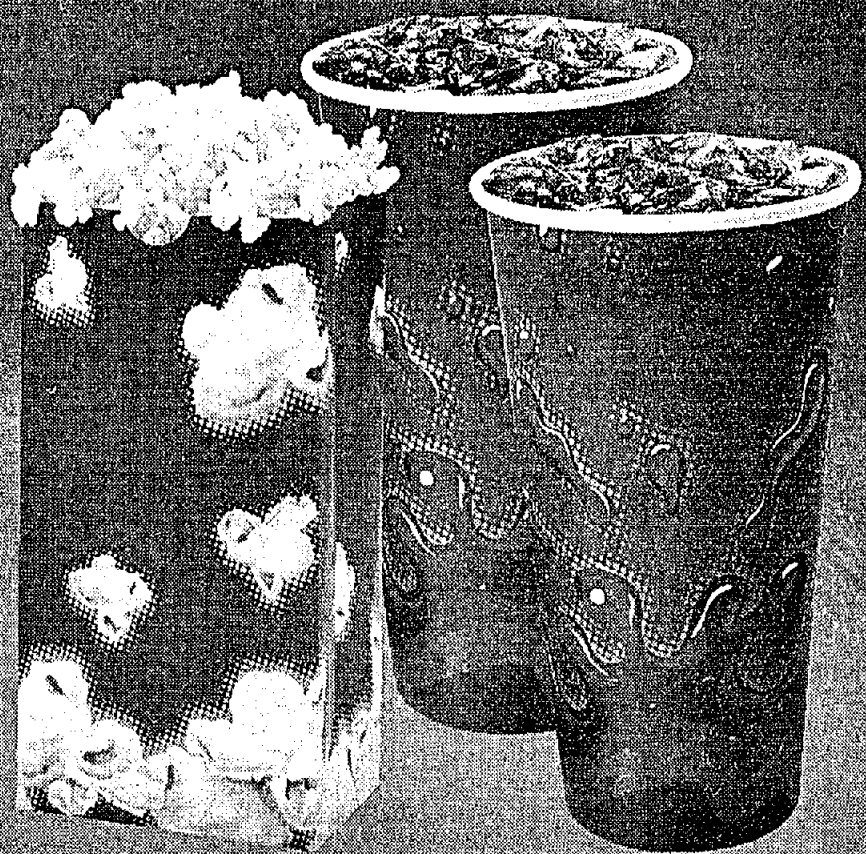
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## Alliance execs wary of merger

MEMBERS OF the Canadian Alliance's Skeena constituency association executive haven't fully embraced the idea of merging with the Progressive Conservative party.

"Some of us are more cautious than others and others think it's a good idea," said association president Lorne Sexton last week.

Sexton, one of the doubters, said the merger makes more sense in the east than in the west.

"People in Ontario think it's a great idea to combine the vote [at election time] but vote splitting here is not a problem," he said.

Sexton's also worried that Alliance and Progressive Conservative members are being asked this month to approve the merger without first having a constitution in place for the proposed new Conservative Party of Canada.

"If we don't like what's in it, it will be very difficult to change," said Sexton. "We could lose the whole western identity and that's not what I want to see."

Although Sexton concedes Ontario is the prime battleground for every federal election, he prefers leaving the Alliance the way it is in the west and striking agreements with the Progressive Conservatives to run joint candidates in Ontario.

"They could have joint nomination meetings. That way we would retain the voice in the west," he said.

The Alliance party is having a mail-in vote of its members, the results of which will be released Dec. 5. The Progressive Conservatives are having regional meetings this weekend.

## School project moving on up

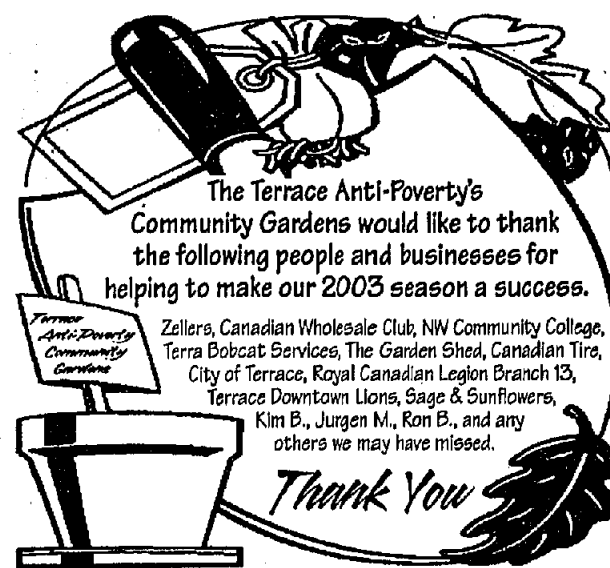
ROGER HARRIS says he helped push a long-awaited renovation project at Mount Elizabeth Senior Secondary further up the education ministry's capital projects list.

After speaking with school district officials, the Skeena MLA agreed to find out in Victoria what had happened to the project.

Harris discovered it was ranked number 22 on priority list out of approximately 130 capital school projects in B.C.

"That has now moved up to fifth," Harris said, adding it will get the go-ahead in the next round of three-year capital planning announcements.

The Coast Mountains School District's own five-year capital plan puts the \$5.5 million renovation at Mount Elizabeth Secondary in Kitimat at the top of the district's capital spending plan.

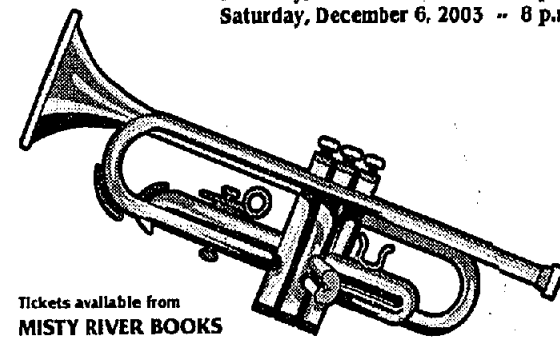


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# School district to save big bucks in heat bills

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By JENNIFER LANG  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 82 is closing in on a deal that will bring big savings on energy costs – and result in a significant drop in consumption.

A custom-made energy efficiency plan developed for the district by Honeywell will cost at least \$2.4 million to put into place.

But once complete, the system would save the district at least \$350,000 a year in energy costs – money that can be spent on education programs instead.

Honeywell's proposal contains some innovative features, including the use of sensors capable of detecting the presence of students inside classrooms.

When a classroom is empty, the temperature drops to a minimum level.

Secretary treasurer Marcel Georges said the district will have to borrow money to cover the initial capital costs.

The district has just learned it will be allowed to borrow up to \$3 million.

"So basically, it's all systems go," Georges said, adding there's just a few minor details to go over before the deal with Honeywell can be signed – possibly as early as next week.

From there, the project will go out to tender.

"It's going to create employment. It's good for the region," Georges said. "It's a \$2.4 million contract."

The district will have seven years in which to repay the borrowed capital money.

During that time, Honeywell will provide the district with a financial guarantee, ensuring the new energy efficiency program will save at least \$350,000 in costs – a significant bite into energy costs.

The school district spent about \$1.8 million on energy and heating costs last year, Georges said.

The imminent deal is welcome news in the Coast Mountains School District, where trustees have had to make some tough decisions in order to balance the budget. Money saved on energy costs can instead be spent directly on education.

"It goes right into the classroom. It's a wonderful

legacy for the children," Georges said. "We have to be creative and innovative. We can't rely on closing schools or changing the school week."

He said the district hopes to repeat the success of the Richmond school district, where the board is reaping the rewards of a new energy efficiency program that cost \$3.2 million to install but is saving \$800,000 a year in energy costs.

The project has been in the works for more than a year and a half.

In a bid to keep ahead of looming hikes in natural gas and electricity rates, the district asked the energy services division of Honeywell to conduct an district-wide energy audit.

Honeywell then developed a concept report outlining how to it would make every building in the district more energy efficient. It was presented to school district officials months ago.

Georges and the district's maintenance superintendent, Robert Gilfillan, travelled to Richmond to inspect their energy saving system.

More than 10 weeks ago, the district submitted an official request for the education minister to authorize the plan to borrow money.

Skeena MLA Roger Harris had a hand in helping get Victoria on side.



Marcel Georges

When it appeared the request had stalled, Harris said he and North Coast MLA Bill Belsey were able to track down the district's request to the minister, asking her to approve the plan to borrow money.

It turns out the district's request was mislaid.

Now that education minister Christy Clark has approved the school district's borrowing plans, the project can proceed to the next phase.

The district is still reviewing some minor parts of an agreement that could be signed as soon as next week. The district would then put the contract out to tender.

Georges said the district is able to get a good borrowing rate through the Royal Bank.

"Right now, it's a good time to borrow."

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The man was hit while walking in the south lane of Keith Ave. by a woman driving a 1997 Chevrolet truck.

The Nov. 24 accident happened near the intersection with Tetrault St. at 5 p.m.

The man who was hit appeared to be intoxicated at the time and the nature of his injuries were not immediately known, police said.

More details are not available at this time as police are still investigating witnesses.

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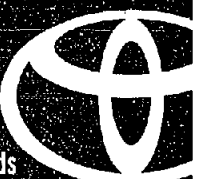
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# Port deal enormous for northwest – MLA

**THE PLANNED** container port at Prince Rupert, spurred by the turn over of B.C. Rail to CN, is bigger than anyone can imagine, says Skeena Liberal MLA Roger Harris.

The prospect of being easily able to ship any variety of goods and products in containers to Asia from a port that's closer than any other on the west coast could bring major industrial players up north, he said last week.

"We can now go to people in Richmond, say, and tell them to sell what they have there and come up here where land's inexpensive, housing's cheap and there are lots of rentals and you're close to your market," said Harris.

"It's time for communities to start planning now, to have those discussions now, on how they want to look."

And now that CN is tying into the BC Rail line to offer quick service from Prince George into the American midwest, a container port at Prince Rupert has a competitive ad-

***"There's too much momentum for this to be stopped. It's time to start planning for this in 2005," says Skeena MLA Roger Harris.***

vantage, Harris continued.

"India and Asia are going to be the biggest markets in the next decade and guess what, we're the only province on the coast," he said.

The province is kicking in \$17.2 million from the B.C. Rail sale to CN toward the overall port development cost of \$62 million. CN is to spend upward of \$15 million on tracks within the port area itself and on preparing its northern line to take double-stack container cars.

The MLA noted that the need for a container port was originally pushed by Alberta government officials.

"They were actually lobbying us," said Harris. "It was an interesting situation."

The combination of B.C. and Alberta support for the port hasn't been lost on Ottawa officials and Harris is convinced they'll soon follow through with the rest of the development money.

"There's too much momentum for this to be stopped. It's time to start planning for this in 2005."

Harris also expects communities and people to come up with innovative ways to use \$15 million being set aside for each region and \$50 million for overall use in tapping into the container port potential.

"It's a question of what do you want to put into those containers," he said.

A container port will also reduce the dependence of the northwest on cyclical resource industries such as forestry.

"This is the leveller," said Harris. "Forestry, as we now know it, becomes a lot less important."

# CN to raise its tunnels to handle taller cars

UPWARD OF \$15 million will be spent on preparing the CN Rail line between Prince George and Prince Rupert once a container port in Prince Rupert has been announced, says CN official Graham Dallas.

The money will be spent on bridgework and either raising tunnel levels or lowering the track that runs through the tunnels to provide room for double-stack container cars, he said.

The project, as well as a \$17.2 million provincial boost toward the planned \$62 million container port in Prince Rupert, is part of last week's deal in which the province is turning over B.C. Rail to CN for \$1 billion.

"It's not a huge job to enlarge a tunnel but we won't know exactly what we'll spend until the engineering studies are done," said Dallas.

Some of the anticipated \$15 million will be spent on rail line and other facilities at the planned container port itself.

Those costs will be known once a container port engineering study, now underway, is complete, Dallas added.

Part of the provincial commitment for the container port, in addition to money, is to join with CN and lobby the federal government for the rest of the construction money.

Container facilities for Prince Rupert have been the focus of intensive lob-

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## Well back running

**THE CITY's** water well is finally up and running after a breakdown that left Terrace drinking creek or river water for seven months.

The final cost of the repairs aren't yet tabulated but are expected to come in around \$80,000, said development services director Marvin Kwiatkowski.

The Frank St. well, which failed in April, went back on line Nov. 12, he said.

The motor windings had to be replaced because water got into the assembly.

The city has been taking water from Deep Creek in recent months, although it also used the Skeena River at some points over the summer. That gave the water a discoloured appearance.

It's the second time in recent years the well failed.



## News In Brief

### Jack and Stew are back

MAYOR Jack Talstra and councillor Stew Christensen have been re-elected as city council's directors to the Kitimat-Stikine regional district board.

A vote of council each year determines which two council members will serve on the regional decision-making body.

Councillor Rich McDaniel also let his name stand but did not get enough votes to secure one of the two seats.

Council also elected councillors Lynne Christensen and Marilyn Davies as alternates.

### Stolen sled sought

POLICE are trying to track down a stolen snowmobile. The 2002 Polaris RMK 800 was taken from Ken's Marine, 4946 Greig Ave., Nov. 21.

Police say the culprit broke into the business's compound and made off with the \$8,000 sled stickered with black, red and yellow decals.

With the snowmobiling season now in force, police are reminding private and commercial owners to make sure snowmobiles are identifiable with extra serial numbers.

Anyone with information about this theft is asked to contact the Terrace RCMP at 638-7400 or make an anonymous tip to Crimestoppers at 638-8477.

### Greenville man's death accidental

POLICE say the death of a Greenville man last month appears to be the result of an accident.

The investigation into the sudden death of Fred Vincent Moore, 51, continues as police are conducting ongoing interviews. Moore's body was found Oct. 19 at his home on Front St. at about 9:40 p.m.

Moore's cause of death is not being released, but police say they have ruled out suicide and homicide in the case.

Sergeant Don Murray of the New Aiyansh RCMP department says no charges are anticipated in the investigation.

### Robbers smash and grab

THE COPPERSIDE convenience store and Esso gas station on Kalum St. was the target of a smash and grab in the early morning hours of Nov. 25.

At least two culprits are believed to have smashed a window at the store and stole cigarettes before running away in opposite directions, police say.

Terrace Crimestoppers is looking for information about this break and enter. You are not required to give your name or testify in court. A reward of up to \$1,000 is offered.

If you know anything about this incident police ask that you contact Crimestoppers at 635-8477.

Crimestoppers does not use call display and callers remain anonymous.

## Cab torched after theft

POLICE are on the look out for thieves who made off with an unmarked taxi, drove it out of town and torched it.

The dark green 1993 Suburban was stolen from the Kalum Kabs parking lot on Lazelle Ave. Nov. 24 before it was set ablaze 23.5km north of Terrace on Kalum Lake Drive.

"We used it for high-way transportation for CN crews and out of town travel," explains owner Roger Bal.

The vehicle was parked at 9 p.m. and employees noticed the vehicle driving away from the parking lot around 11:30 p.m. Nov. 24.

They assumed it was one of the company's owners driving so they didn't think anything of it, Bal says.

But a few hours later a passing motorist called Terrace RCMP to report a vehicle on fire on Kalum Lake Drive.

When police responded the Suburban was smoldering and completely incinerated.

The vehicle is insured and the company will have to purchase a replacement soon.

Bal says the theft doesn't really surprise him.

"Things are getting desperate in this town," he says.

Investigators believe more than one person was involved in this incident and are requesting anyone with information to call the Terrace RCMP detachment at 638-7400 or Crimestoppers at 638-8477.

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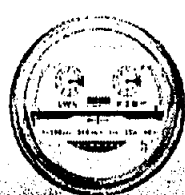
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## News In Brief

### More COPS needed

CITIZENS ON PATROL, (COPS) the civilian group which assists police by keeping an eye out for suspicious activity, needs more members.

COPS official Ernie Fisher said the group needs 100 new volunteers if it is to keep up with its obligations of conducting patrols at nights and on weekends. "Members are also trained in and perform business checks, ICBC speed reader board, ICBC auto theft prevention and any other assistance by the RCMP," said Fisher. Volunteers must be of legal age and undergo a criminal records check. Call 635-6351 for more information.

### Gone overseas

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY College president Stephanie Forsyth is overseas this week in pursuit of more international students for the institution.

The college, the University of Northern British Columbia and the University of Regina, through a federal grant, have joined with institutions in Scotland, Sweden and Finland on a program encouraging women to take a role in global management.

Students from here are studying overseas as a result and students from overseas are in the northwest. "We'll be looking at ways to increase international participation," said Forsyth. Although the program is meant for women, men can take part.

### Second well needs cash

THE PLANNED \$1.25 million Green St. well needs a hefty government grant to get the project built without hitting homeowners with a substantial hike to water rates, city staff say.

Development services director Marvin Kwiatkowski is still hoping to get grant money to cut the local cost. The Green St. well, if operational, would have provided a backup system in incidents like this year's failure of the Frank St. well.

Kwiatkowski said persuading senior governments to send money has been difficult because there are 300 boil water advisories in B.C. in a typical year and none of them have been within Terrace city limits. "We've got issues, but others have larger issues," he said. "That's what it boils down to."

### Woman arrested

FINGERPRINT evidence, tips and two police line-ups led RCMP to the arrest and charge of a Terrace woman in relation to an attempted robbery at a local restaurant last month.

Nicole Charlene Law, 24, faces one charge of robbery after an incident at the Chop Suey Garden restaurant Nov. 10.

Police said a woman entered the Greig Ave. restaurant, demanded money from the female clerk and grabbed her when she refused. The suspect allegedly pushed aside the cash register in an effort to open it. When the would-be robber was unable to get any cash she fled the scene leaving the employee shaken, police said.

## Docs could train students

MEDICAL STUDENTS could be honing their skills in Terrace by the fall of 2006, says a University of Northern B.C. official.

They'll be in their third year of training, following two years at a new medical school now under construction at the main Prince George UNBC campus, says Dr. David Snadden.

The school, to be operated in conjunction with UBC and UVic, opens next fall with 24 students.

"Physicians on the whole have been very supportive of the program," said Snadden who toured the northwest last week.

"Retention and recruitment [of physicians] is a big problem in the north and this is one of the small steps toward improving physician supply," he said.

UNBC's medical school plan is based on the premise that people trained in the north will stay in the north.

Terrace, with Mills Memorial Hospital and a core group of specialists, offers the kind of environment conducive to teaching skills tailor-made to northern requirements, said Snadden.

"They'll get to see everything and do everything in an environment that's different from the high-tech atmosphere of a large hospital," he said.

In some ways, northern training will replicate the skills of South African physicians who form a solid core of the northern physician community, Snadden continued.

South African physicians are prized in northern Canada because of the broad range of training and experience from their home country.

"In the north, only 30 per cent of the physicians are Canadian," noted Snadden.

Terrace physician Dr. Bill Redpath, who met with Snadden when he was here Nov. 24, said local doctors are generally excited about the idea of becoming teachers.

"The hospital in many ways is an ideal setting because of the different specialists and the interesting medical problems we have here," said Redpath.

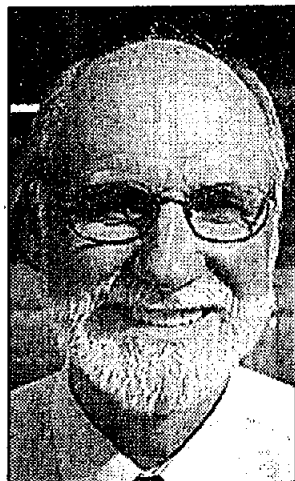
Students might be involved with an ear, nose and throat case one minute, and take part in a delivery the next, he said.

A significant number of local physicians have worked in teaching hospitals in the past, Redpath added.

"There's an expression of interest here. It's doable. It would be stimulating for us as doctors as well. Nothing helps learning like teaching," he said.

Establishing Mills as a training centre would also help in efforts to expand local medical services, Redpath continued.

There isn't an orthopaedic surgeon in Terrace now, but placing one here would not only complement existing services but solidify a teaching environment, he said.



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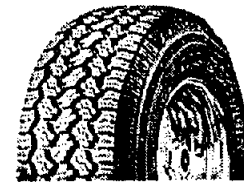
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# BUSINESS REVIEW

## Bargain Shop pulls up stakes

Owners hope to downsize rather than close for good

By JEFF NAGEL  
THIRTEEN workers at the Bargain Shop have been told they'll lose their jobs when the store shuts down Jan. 17 - although there is still some hope for a reprieve.

Store employees say the opening of Wal-Mart at about the same time is a factor, however company management cite other reasons for the closure.

The Bargain! Shop Holdings Inc. president Michael Roellinghoff said the store's lease expires at the end of January and the landlord has struck a deal with a new retailer to take over the 25,000 square foot space next to Safeway.

And Roellinghoff said he's hoping to strike a deal of his own to relocate the Bargain Shop to a different, smaller location in Terrace.

"We are actively pursu-

ing a possible replacement location," he said. "Our ideal size is in the area of 10,000 square feet."

"Our objective is to stay long-term in Terrace," he added.

If all goes well, he said, the store may even remain open in a portion of its existing space for up to six months before moving to a new site.

"You can't build a store overnight," he noted.

Roellinghoff said he has an arrangement for temporary space with landlord Ray McCarthy.

But he says he'll only invoke that plan if a deal on a new permanent location comes together soon.

"If there are no prospects in sight by the 17th of January we would not operate that temporary store," Roellinghoff said.

Downsizing the Terrace Bargain Shop has long



THE BARGAIN Shop in Terrace plans to close Jan. 17 although owners say they're looking for a new, smaller location in Terrace.

been a plan of the company.

That fits the strategy of trying to standardize the sizes of stores that varied widely when they were reflagged from the old Woolworth's chain.

There had been exten-

sive talks with Safeway over a potential expansion of the grocery store into the Bargain Shop space.

The four full-time and nine part-time employees who now work at the Terrace store have known for some time their jobs might be at risk once Wal-Mart opens.

"Our store in Vernon

lost 20 per cent of its business when Wal-Mart arrived there," said Terrace store manager George Demedeiros.

The only other Bargain Shop locations in northwestern B.C. are Prince Rupert and a newly opened store in Burns Lake.

## Out & About

### New build rules here

THE CITY is moving forward with a new bylaw that will put an increased onus on builders and homeowners to meet the building code and less on the city to enforce it.

If there are problems with buildings, special projects director Paul Gipps said, the new rules should ensure builders and not the city face lawsuits. It means less of a direct role enforcing the building code for city building inspectors.

Gipps said it reflects the industry's trend toward certification of building professionals. The move comes on the advice of the city's insurers, the Municipal Finance Authority.

## Kitimat bus link will wait a bit longer

IT LOOKS like it will be some time before there's B.C. Transit bus service between Terrace and Kitimat.

The problem is money, says Kitimat municipal clerk Walter McLellan. While Kitimat agrees with B.C. Transit that such a service is worthwhile, a budget freeze at the provincial transportation authority means it isn't going to happen anytime soon.

A service plan drawn up would also include stops at Kitimaat Village and Kitsumkalum.

Backers of a Terrace-Kitimat run say it would be an idea way for patients needing care to travel between the two cities.

McLellan said the city

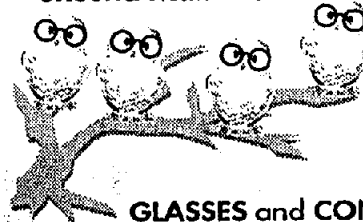
will continue to explore possible options with the Kitimat-Stikine regional district, city of Terrace, Kitimaat and Kitsumkalum villages and the Northern Health Authority.

"We did look at a number of options for service between town and Kitimaat village, such as a taxi-dart service, particularly between the village and the hospital, but they just aren't supportable without new funding arrangements," he said.

Skeena Liberal MLA Roger Harris has been urging people and local governments to find a way to put regularly scheduled transportation in place between Kitimat and Terrace.

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# Towns can keep, but not sell seized Skeena assets

By JEFF NAGEL  
NORTHWEST towns have won a court order that lets them hang onto equipment they've seized from New Skeena Forest Products - but not sell anything.

Administrators for Terrace, Prince Rupert, Port Edward and New Hazelton appeared in B.C. Supreme Court Nov. 25 to argue it's not necessary to return the seized equipment.

Justice Donald Brenner agreed, altering part of his Nov. 19 order that placed New Skeena in creditor protection and required seized assets be returned.

Documents filed in court show the City of Terrace has so far spent \$8,000 seizing and removing equipment from New Skeena.

Allowing the towns to hold onto the equipment for now avoids incurring a similar expense to send it all back.

Terrace and the other councils had planned to quickly sell the seized equipment to recoup some of New Skeena's unpaid property tax bills.

Terrace is owed \$2.5 million - most of that in unpaid taxes for 2002 and 2003 but about \$580,000 for older taxes to be repaid over eight years under a provision of Skeena's previous restructuring.

In making their case, Terrace officials laid out in greater detail than ever before what they claim are the effects of New Skeena's non payment of taxes here.

The City of Terrace has cut 20 per cent of its staff - a reduction from 106 to 85 employees - resulting in a drop in service, chief administrative officer Ron Poole stated in his affidavit to the court.

The court documents filed by the city also include a complete list of the equipment seized from New Skeena.

Included on the list are 24 Ford and Chev pickup trucks, 14 Cat forklifts, five Cat loaders, two Cat grappleloaders, a grader, seven water trucks, a flat-deck truck, a Linkbelt buncher, a portable sawmill and various tires and accessories.

Poole said the bailiffs indicated none of the seized machines were being used and many were inoperative and couldn't be started.

One piece of equipment was returned by the city - a snowplow New Skeena workers here said they needed at the mill.

The next round in the court battle comes Dec. 8, when the towns appear before Justice Brenner to argue where they should be ranked in the line of creditors.

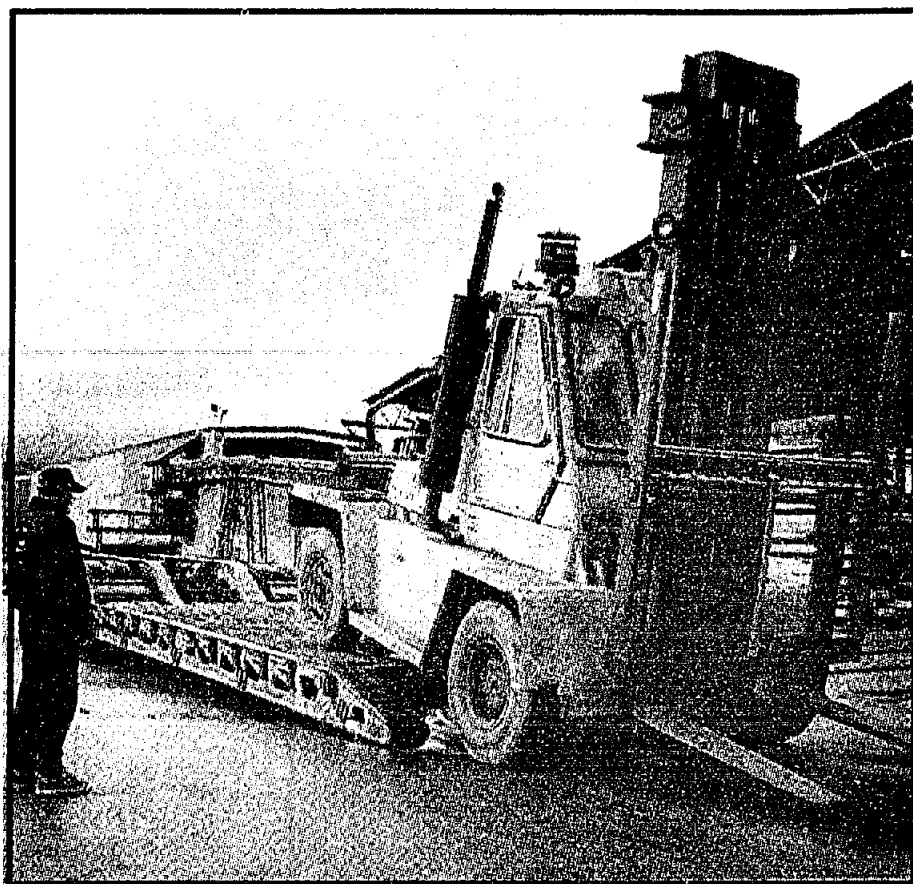
NWBC Timber and Pulp, New Skeena's parent company also owned by Dan Veniez and George Petty, is the main secured creditor.

The towns hope to convince Brenner that their tax bills should be paid out in a liquidation ahead of any money going to NWBC.

"We the cities will argue that tax relief as with other government-type security takes precedence over the usual secured creditors," said mayor Jack Talstra. "That will be the argument and we'll see what develops from there."

On Dec. 9, New Skeena is scheduled to present its plan for moving forward. Other creditors will then get a chance to support, oppose or propose amendments to the plan.

Also anticipated is a first report of the court-appointed monitors from PricewaterhouseCoopers.



SEIZED NEW Skeena Forest Products assets can stay in the possession of Terrace and other northwestern towns, but they can't be sold. The towns had planned to sell seized equipment to cover unpaid property taxes, but New Skeena went to court asking for their return.



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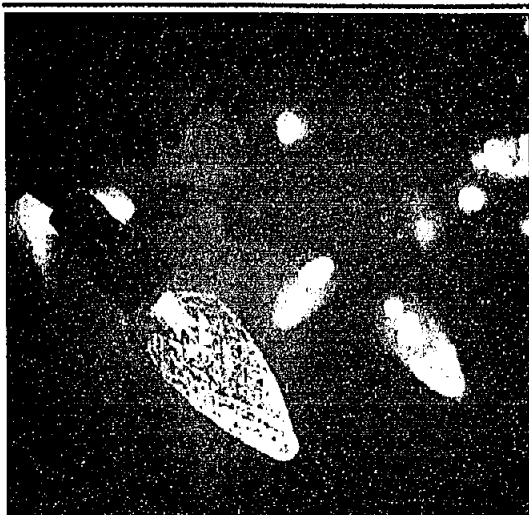


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## Around Town



### Web Christmas card

PUT ON YOUR Santa hat and warm up your keyboard.

The *Terrace Standard* is powering up its on line Christmas Greetings section.

It's your chance to send holiday greetings to *Terrace Standard* readers near and far through our web site.

Our first try at this was last Christmas and we were amazed by the response.

Dozens of faraway readers, from places as far flung as Halifax and China, sent in Christmas greetings for people back home.

We were so thrilled to act as the community's Christmas card of the web, we're doing it again.

Send your holiday greetings by emailing them to [newsroom@terracestandard.com](mailto:newsroom@terracestandard.com).

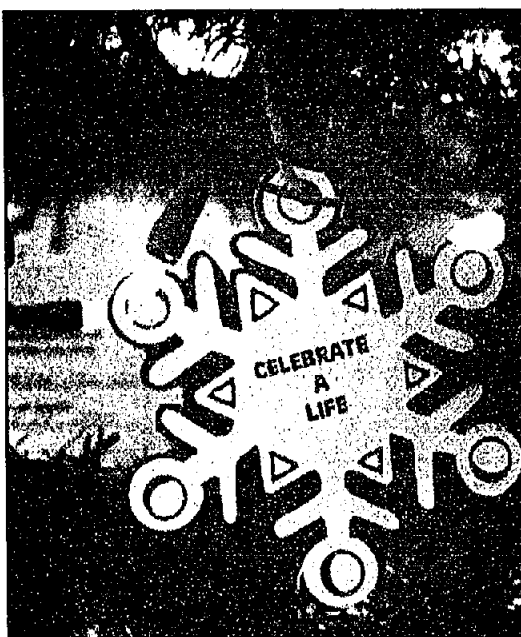
We'll post them at [www.terracestandard.com](http://www.terracestandard.com) throughout December.

If you're a reader from afar or perhaps an ex-Terrace resident who has moved away, tell us where you are, what you're doing, how you'll be spending the holiday season and any special memories you have of Terrace. And don't forget to mention friends back in Terrace you'll be thinking of this season.

If you're a Terrace reader, this is your chance to send out a Christmas greeting to friends who have moved away but follow the Terrace news on line.

Feel free to include a digital photo of yourself with your email greeting.

We will also publish as many of your Christmas greetings as possible in our Dec. 23 print edition.



CARDS carrying the names of loved ones decorate a Christmas tree.

### Celebrate a Life

THE HOLIDAY season is difficult for anyone involved in the grieving process. Christmas cheer offers a sharp contrast to what's been lost, and it can be an intensely painful time.

That's why each December, the Terrace Hospice Society hosts Celebrate a Life, a non-denominational evening of celebration and remembrance.

It's a place for people to acknowledge and remember their loved ones, and join together with other members of the community who understand exactly what they're going through.

Celebrate a Life is special time of remembering, music and readings. There is also a candle lighting ceremony honouring loved ones who have passed away. Refreshments and fellowship follows the service.

Cards carrying the names of loved ones who have passed away decorate a Christmas tree that is later moved to the Skeena Mall. Passersby are welcome to add a name to the tree in remembrance.

This year's Celebrate a Life ceremony is Dec. 10 at the Elks Hall at 2822 Tetrault St. The service begins at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 635-4811.

### Youth summit

IF YOU'RE a young person and you're interested in transportation issues, here's a trip for you.

The Canadian Urban Transit Association is looking for youth delegates aged 17-24 to attend the 2004 International Youth Summit on Sustainable Urban Transportation May 26-31 in Ottawa. CUTA pays all travel and other summit-related expenses to attend.

The summit will look at sustainable transportation – a topic that includes everything from transit to walking, cycling or rollerblading – and how to enhance those modes of travel. A total of 80 young Canadians will be selected. You can apply online at [www.goforgreen.ca](http://www.goforgreen.ca). And there's more information on the summit at [www.cutactu.ca](http://www.cutactu.ca).

## The Music Man set to shine

Caledonia Fine Arts presents its version of the classic 1957 Broadway musical

By JENNIFER LANG

IT'S YOUR chance to see one of the best-loved musicals of all time – *The Music Man*, the timeless tale of professor Harold Hill, a legendary con man who decides to try his band instrument scam on the denizens of River City, Iowa.

The show is presented Friday and Saturday at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre by Caledonia Senior Secondary's Fine Arts department (See *City Scene* on B1 for details).

The production boasts nearly 40 cast members, and as many more students are involved behind the scenes.

The story centres around Harold Hill, a travelling salesman whose favourite scam is selling band instruments to gullible townsfolk after promising to start up a youth marching band.

Marian Paroo, the town's librarian, is the only one who has her doubts about Mr. Hill's credentials.

It's guaranteed you'll be familiar with at least one of the tunes from *The Music Man*, a comedy and a love story that made its Broadway debut in 1957 (earning more Tony awards that season than *West Side Story*).

Among the show's many memorable numbers are "Ya Got Trouble", professor Hill's hysteria-inducing warning about what the arrival of the moral decay the new ballad hall will bring, the rousing march "Seventy-Six Trombones", "Gary, Indiana", and the moving "Til There Was You."

*The Music Man* places a lot of demands on a single role – that of Hill, which means Grade 12 student Gerry Johnson is in virtually every scene.

Johnson, who performs lead vocals for a high school metal band, says it's his first stage role.

For lead actress Melia Stephens, a soprano, *The Music Man*



MUSICAL MAGIC: Eric McColl, left, of Clarence Michiel Elementary and Alex Gellatly of Skeena Junior in a scene from *The Music Man*. JENNIFER LANG PHOTO

is her second starring role in a Caledonia musical. She also had a lead in last year's *State Fair*.

The soprano sings four solos as Marian, the librarian who quickly sizes up the professor and decides he's a phony – but finds herself falling for his persuasive charms nonetheless.

This year's musical production features a blend of eager newcomers and seasoned veterans, says director Robin MacLeod, who opened auditions to students from outside Cal to fill all the roles.

Mary Warner (Amaryllis Tilsbury) and Alex Gellatly (Barney Hix) of Skeena Junior both have

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YA GOT TROUBLE: Gerry Johnson plays con man Harold Hill.

## Riverboat Days to expand

Terrace's annual summer festival grows to include more music, art and culture

RIVERBOAT DAYS will grow into a larger 10-day arts and cultural extravaganza next year.

It will start as usual on the Thursday night leading into the holiday weekend, says Riverboat Days Society president Brian Downie.

But the festivities will continue after B.C. Day, with more events on the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

That will connect Riverboat Days up with the Riverside Music Festival the next weekend, he said, creating 10 solid days of activity here.

"We thought we would look at the idea of bridging between the two weekends," Downie said.

He said the plan builds on the success of Concerts in the Park – which has at-



THOUSANDS turned out to see Trooper during Concerts in the Park. Acts like Trooper and 2003 headliners Prism have helped contribute to the growing popularity of Riverboat Days.

tracted classic rock bands Trooper and Prism in the past two years – as well as the growth in popularity of the Riverside festival.

Work is still in the

"What we're doing is meeting with different people and different organizations to see whether they'd be interested in participating in an extended program," Downie said.

The focus so far is on adding more events and activities with an arts and culture flavour.

"We're looking for music, theatre and art," he said. "And there's a number of really good ideas about how we could put these into some sort of an event."

"We also think there's opportunities for First Nations carving and food and dance for the week."

Downie thinks it's worth making more effort to



Brian Downie

think about Riverboat Days from a tourist's perspective.

And by extending the duration of festivities, he said there's potential to get tourists to stop for a much longer stay here.

Downie said organizers have already committed to jointly advertise the extended Riverboat Days and Riverside Festival in tourism guide books for 2004.

He said they're confident that although the details aren't yet decided, the expanded Riverboat Days concept will work.

"You have to start with the idea and the vision and see where it goes," he said.

## One-time war prisoner served on Kitimat's first municipal council

A LOCAL man who spent five years as a prisoner of war during the Second World War, and who escaped three times, has passed away.

Basil Stacy Baxter was 86 when he died Nov. 4 in Mills Memorial Hospital.

Born in Weymouth, Dorset, England, Baxter was a member of the English Territorial Army until he volunteered for the regular army at the age of 21.

Sent to France with the Royal West Kents in the spring of 1940, Baxter was barely in the country for six weeks until being captured on May 21 along with the rest of his regiment.

"Each of us had a rifle and 50 rounds. With that you were supposed to stop tanks," Baxter said in a 1995 story in *The Terrace Standard* which marked the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

"In the morning we saw the German tanks coming over the hill. The infantry were follow-

ing up with the protection of tanks. It made the whole thing very unfair, actually. We had nothing," he said.

Baxter's imprisonment in camps in Germany and Poland lasted until May 7, 1945, the end of the Second World War. All told he was in 18 camps.

"Nothing spectacular, mostly short periods. Once I spent two weeks on the run," Baxter said of his escapes.

Returning to England, Baxter had the good fortune to meet; woo and, on Sept. 11, 1947, to marry Catherine Dalton.

They came to Canada the following month. After spells in Winnipeg and North Vancouver, the family moved to Kitimat



Basil Baxter

in 1952 where Baxter worked as a cost accountant with Alcan and was a member of the community's first municipal council – Baxter Street is named for him.

The family returned to England in 1960 but, with Baxter retired and the three sons having returned to the northwest, Basil and Cathy came back in 1986, settling in Terrace.

Baxter served as a member of the city's transit commission until his death.

Baxter is survived by wife Cathy, sons Malcolm, Michael and David (Margaret-Anne) and grandchildren Nicola, Zoe, Carin, Giles, Ashley, Emily, Henry and Sarah.



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**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION:** Saturdays: jam sessions with Frank and Friends, Moonshine and Copper Mountain. Participant prize meat draw starts at 4 p.m. All members welcome; bring a guest. Lounge opens at 3 p.m.

## Theatre

**The Music Man**, presented by Caledonia Fine Arts Dec. 5 (8 p.m.) and Dec. 6 (1 p.m. matinee and an 8 p.m. show) at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre. Tickets at Misty River Books, Caledonia Senior Secondary office and from fine arts students.

## Concerts

**A Christmas Carol**, a dramatic reading of

the Charles Dickens novel presented by the Terrace and District Arts Council and CBC Radio One. At the R.E.M. Lee Theatre Dec. 13. Tickets at Misty River Books. Featuring Kirstle Hudson and Russell Bowers from Daybreak in Prince Rupert and local celebrity readers. Music by Classical Act and Sweet Adelines. Free cookies and cider in the lobby to follow. Call Karla at 635-2101 or 635-5463 for more information. Tickets \$10 at Misty River Books or at the door.

**This Shining Night**, an evening of seasonal music presented by Northwest Singers. Special guests Terrace Symphony Strings and Melia Stephens. Sunday, Dec. 14 at the Evangelical Free Church, starting at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at Misty River Books.

**The Spirit of Christmas** Thursday, Dec. 18 at the R.E.M. Lee Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Please join the Community Band, along with the Skeena Grade 9/10 Concert Band and the Sweet Adelines for a wonderful evening of seasonal music. Admission is a non-perishable food item. Proceeds to the Salvation Army.

## Christmas Events

**Terrace Anti Poverty** hosts a benefit dance Dec. 6 at the legion, starting at 8 p.m. Proceeds to the Children's Christmas Campaign. Admission is a gift donation suitable for children from infancy to age 18. Couples are asked to also bring a non-perishable food item. Entertainment by Moonlight and Rosie.

**Choices Program's Annual Christmas Ban-**

quet, Friday, Dec. 12 at the Thornhill Community Centre. All ages welcome. Tickets at our offices at 4916 Lazelle Ave. For more information, call Jo at 635-7863.

**Terrace Little Theatre presents Yuk Yuka** on tour with comics Danonde Tschritter and Dan Quinn. Friday Dec. 12 at the Elks Hall. Tickets \$16 and available at Uniglobe. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and show starts at 9 p.m. Cabaret style.



**Damonde Tschritter**

**Small Business Christmas Party 2003**, hosted by Terrace Little Theatre Saturday, Dec. 13. Entertainment by Yuk Yuka's on Tour featuring Danonde Tschritter and Dan Quinn. Buffet dinner, door prizes and dancing. At the Elks Hall. Catering provided by the Royal Purple. Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are limited. To book, call Mavis at 635-5170.

## Visual arts

**The Terrace Art Gallery** is closed for the month of December.

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**R.E.M. LEE THEATRE**  
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December 5, 6 - Caledonia Fine Arts presents  
**The Music Man**  
- 8:00 p.m.  
- Special Matinee Performance  
- Dec. 6 - 1:00 p.m.  
Tickets available from Misty River Books and Caledonia Office  
Evening shows - \$13.00  
Matinee - \$7.00  
December 13 - Join the Terrace Arts Council and CBC personalities in a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' **A Christmas Carol**  
- 7:30 p.m.  
Come enjoy celebrity readers and music by "Classical Act" and the "Sweet Adelines".  
Free cookies and cider in the lobby to follow.  
Tickets \$10.00, available at Misty River Books or at the door.  
December 18 - Terrace Community Bands presents  
**The Spirit of Christmas**  
- 7:30 p.m.  
Admission: a non-perishable food item  
Guest artists: Skeena 9/10 concert band

<b>Terrace Concert Society Tickets</b> Available at Cook's Jewellers in the Skeena Mall	<b>Terrace Little Theatre Tickets</b> Available at Uniglobe Courtesy Travel
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The Terrace Standard offers the Community Calendar as a public service to its readers and community organizations. This column is intended for non-profit organizations and events without an admission charge. Space permitting, items will run two weeks before each event. Deadline is 5 p.m. Thursdays. Fax your event or PSA to 638-8432. For complete listings, visit www.terracestandard.com

## COMMUNITY EVENTS LISTINGS

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 3

**Nass Valley Farmers' Market** 12th Annual Christmas Craft Sale. More than 40 tables featuring baking, jewellery, foods, knitting and crocheting, clothing, toys, First Nations artwork, dried flowers, raffies, gifts. From 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the auditorium in New Aiyash (bingo hall) First turn to the right as you enter the village. Paved roads all the way!

## THURSDAY, DEC. 4

**The Terrace and District Multicultural Association** holds a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. You are invited to a slide show presentation by Hail Downs, of Youth Challenge International, on youth projects in Guyana, South America. At the Terrace Art Gallery, in the lower level of the Terrace Public Library. Call 638-1594.

## DECEMBER 5-6

**Terrace Art Association Christmas Arts and Crafts Sale.** Friday Dec. 5 (5-9 p.m.) and Saturday Dec. 6 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at the Terrace Art Gallery.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 6

**Christmas Tea and Bazaar** hosted by the U.C.W. of Knox United Church, 4907 Lazelle Ave., Saturday, Dec. 6 from 2-4 p.m. Everyone welcome!

**The Terrace Tourism Society** will be presenting the annual Kermode Christmas Parade on Saturday December 6, 2003 starting at 6 p.m. Mark it on your calendars so you don't miss this great family event full of lights and holiday cheer. To participate, please contact Terrace Tourism at 635-0832.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 7

**Knights of Columbus** host a special pancake breakfast. Please come and support our parish and community. From 10 a.m. to noon at the Veritas School gym.

## TUESDAY, DEC. 9

**Celluc Support Group** meets at 7 p.m. at the Skeena Health Unit. Bring a gluten-free treat (with recipe). Call Shirley at 635-7568.

**Support and Assistance in dealing with WCB** meeting in Terrace Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. at City Hall, in the basement meeting room. (Use the front door). Previously injured and wronged persons, as well as current wronged and injured welcome.

**Career mapping workshops at interconnect** from 9:30-noon. Call 635-7995.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10

**Celebrate A Life**, 7:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge at 2822 Tetrault St. The Terrace Hospice Society invites you to join us for a special evening of celebration and remembrance of deceased loved ones. It's a non-denominational event offering friendship and support for those in need at this particular time of year. It will be a special time of remembering with music, readings and a candle lighting ceremony honouring the names of those who have gone before us. Call 635-4811 for more information.

**The next distribution of the Good Food Box** is Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Pick up at prearranged location: the health unit or Skeena Kalum Housing amenities building. Call 638-1863 for info.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 11

**Cancer Support Group** for family and friends meets Dec. 11 at the Cancer Resource Centre (207-4650 Lazelle Ave.) at 7 p.m. Call Craig at 635-0049 or Rose Marie at 635-6985 for more information.

## DECEMBER 12-13

**Drive Through Nativity**, Friday, December 12 and Saturday, Dec. 13 from 7-10 p.m. at the Terrace Pentecostal Parking Lot. Come experience seven scenes retelling the birth of Christ!

## SATURDAY, DEC. 13

**Children's Christmas Party.** Presented by the Northwest B.C. Metis Association at the Happy Gang Centre starting at 2 p.m. Please

bring a non perishable item for the food bank. Call Heather at 638-1537.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 18

**Mountain View Christian Academy** presents: The Gift of Love. Dec. 18 at 7 p.m. At the Thornhill Community Church. Everyone invited. Fellowship time and refreshments after the performance.

## PSAs

**Registration forms and the 2004 syllabus** of the Pacific Northwest Music Festival are now available at Sight & Sound in the Keith Ave. Mall. You will find many complete changes in this new edition including class numbers, which must be included on your entry forms. Be sure to pick up your new syllabus soon. Festival registration deadline is Jan. 15.

**Membership drive:** Terrace and Thornhill Citizens on Patrol (COPS) is a volunteer group that patrols city streets and outlying areas on evenings and weekends, acting as the eyes and ears for the RCMP. Our members receive training and perform business checks, ICBC speed board reading and auto theft prevention, and any other assistance the RCMP may require. We need 100 new volunteers (males or females of legal age) to fulfil our obligations to the community. Call 635-6351 for more information (leave a message) or come to our office in the Skeena Mall next to Clarica Insurance. We'll be open Dec. 21-23 from noon to 6 p.m. for drop ins.

**Anyone is welcome** to drop off a non-perishable food item or new toy at the Sharing Truck at Terrace Totem Ford. Proceeds to the Salvation Army Christmas Drive.

**Terrace First Nations Council of Women** is seeking a place to call home. The council has been incorporated seven years as a non-profit society. It's run solely by volunteers who have offered numerous programs in our community throughout the years. Contact us at P.O. Box 1224, Terrace, B.C., V8G 1P7.

**Do you need a winter coat or other warm clothing?** Come to the Salvation Army Thrift Shop and inquire about the Coats for Kids program.

**Quitting smoking doesn't happen in one step**, says the Canadian Cancer Society. People progress through five states on the way to successful change. Some may try 4-5 times before quitting for good, and may move back and forth between these stages: 1. Not thinking about quitting 2. Thinking about quitting but not ready to quit 3. Getting ready to quit 4. Quitting.

**The Terrace Women's Resource Centre** is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at 4542 Park Ave. Call Brenda or Darlene at 638-0228.

**The Skeena Valley Snowmobile Club** meets on the first Wednesday of the month downstairs at the Sandman Inn at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. For info, call Joyce at 635-7913.

**The Kinette Club of Terrace** meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Kin Hut at 6:30 p.m. We are an energetic group of women serving the community's greatest needs. Call Corinne or Helen at 638-1231 (Eves).

**Terrace Toastmasters** meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Telamedia Board Room, rear entrance. New members are always welcome. Call Bob at 635-0923 or Rolf at 635-6911 for more information.

**TGIF Fun Club** (Thank Gosh It's French). Students in K-12 are invited to the Caledonia Gym every Friday there's no school for fun French activities for all ages. \$10/day. Bring a lunch. From 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Gary at 635-6531.

## DECEMBER SPECIALS

For The Month Of December, Enjoy!

**Lunch 11-4 p.m.**  
**Bistro Chicken Clubhouse**  
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**Dinner After 4 p.m.**  
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<b>Baby's Name:</b> Taigh S. Bath <b>Date &amp; Time of Birth:</b> November 11, 2003 at 6:28 a.m. Weight: 7 lbs. 15 oz. Sex: Male Parents: Iqbal (Ike) & Kiran Little brother for Komal & Preet	<b>Baby's Name:</b> Chasidy Charity Faith Ivy <b>Date &amp; Time of Birth:</b> November 23, 2003 at 1:45 p.m. Weight: 9 lbs. 3.5 oz. Sex: Female Parents: Trevor Reece & Renae Scodane Baby sister for Dominick
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<b>Baby's Name:</b> Carmyn Adrianna <b>Date &amp; Time of Birth:</b> November 22, 2003 at 5:13 p.m. Weight: 9 lbs. 9 oz. Sex: Female Parents: Darren & Jaime Spyskma Baby sister for Lane	<b>Baby's Name:</b> Sherilyn Agnes Blanche <b>Date &amp; Time of Birth:</b> November 26, 2003 at 7:15 p.m. Weight: 8 lbs. 10 oz. Sex: Female Parents: Trevor & Martina Robinson Little sister for Trevor Jr. & Bryan
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WITH DONATIONS from the community lagging behind what's normally contributed at this point in the season year, organizers of a local campaign have had issue an urgent plea for support.

"We are just not getting the donations this year that we normally would have," says Rosanne Pearce of Terrace Anti-Poverty Group Society.

The society and its corporate partners run the Children's Christmas Campaign, a program that matches donated gifts to the hundreds of local children and teens who register each year.

People who would like to contribute can pick a gift tag from special Christmas trees at Zellers, the Bargain Shop, Saan and now Curves. The tags contain the first name, age and clothing size of a local needy child, and sometimes a specific gift request. Volunteers wrap and deliver the gifts in time for Christmas.

"Our bank is a little bit broke. Terrace Anti-Poverty ensures that all the children get Christmas gifts. It doesn't matter how many apply."

The society sent out letters soliciting donations from local businesses, but donations are down.

"Businesses are really suffering. Those who contributed last year are not able to this year. It's my hope things will pick up for them, as well."

As of late November, 75 families had signed up for the program. "I expect that to double if not triple in the next few weeks."

Last year, 500 children in 156 local families registered in the program. Many families needing gifts are large, with up to five children.

"Last year, thanks to the community, we managed to be able to



MOONLIGHT & ROSIE (bassist Louis Payne, left, drummer Sean Gregg, singer Rosanne Pearce, and lead vocalist Tim Osborne) plays a benefit dance Saturday at the legion. Lead guitarist John Campbell not pictured. JENNIFER LANG PHOTO

cover gifts for all those children, including the ones who came in at the last minute, right on Christmas Eve."

Those included Branch 13 of the legion and students at Caledonia Senior Secondary, who sponsored families and collected a lot of food.

"So, we had a really successful year last year, thanks to the teenagers, the students and the people in the community," Pearce said. "I'm hoping to make this year a success as well."

Terrace Anti-Poverty Group Society is holding a benefit dance for the Christmas campaign this Saturday night at the legion. A number of

**Gift tags  
for kids**

local businesses have provided sizable auction items. (See details in *City Scene* on page B2)

As for the campaign, some local businesses and individuals have sponsored entire families or a group of several children.

"Maybe some other businesses would come out and do the same."

**tags  
kids** Donations of gifts, cash, volunteer time or food are welcome. "There are a number of ways people can help," Pearce said. "They can make a donation and we can go out and purchase a gift for them." *Note, TAPGS always follows its campaign letters with a phone call.*

roles in the show, as do Eric McColl (Linus Dunlop) from Clarence Michiel Elementary and Colby Cameron (Winthrop Paroo) from Thornhill elementary.

For students in production and stagecraft classes, the musical is part of their course credit.

Students who take band and choir are also involved - in the orchestra pit, and on stage.

Scheduling group rehearsals to accommodate so many different schedules has been the big challenge this year, MacLeod says.

For instance, MacLeod and stage craft class instructor Andrew Williams can fit in many of their musical duties inside class time because their courses are designed around the annual musical.

But music director Geoff Parr is lending his expertise on his own time to conduct the orchestra and help the actors perform songs.

Others are helping out with the production, too. Recent grad and *State Fair* alumnus Britt MacLeod is doing the choreography. And sewing instructor Cathy van Dyk has done

the costumes

"The kids are busy people, so for them to commit to after school stuff is tough," she said.

The longer school day that's resulted from the four-day school week has been a bit of a challenge to work around.

"We're going to want every hour," she says.

The frequency of rehearsals has been stepped


up in the past two weeks leading up to opening night. "We need to make every moment count."

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## Storytellers

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## Drive through seven Nativity scenes

By CAROL LAIRD  
CONTRIBUTED

IT'S BEEN 75 years since Terrace was born. The amazing thing is that in 75 years, so much has changed. Those who have been here for years reminisce about stories of days gone by and recall how businesses have come and gone. I still catch myself telling my kids about when we used to go to the circus where the Skeena Mall is now and how Overwaitea was once in the Access building. My history in this town is limited to 30 years, but I too have seen the change. Ah yes, the birth of a wonderful town.

This time of year always brings me back to a different kind of birth. The birth of a small baby whose whole purpose in coming has never changed. His birth was a glorious gift given to all those who

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## Thornhill Junior Secondary School's fall Honour Roll

### Outstanding achievement

#### Grade 10

Sean Davidson, Valerie Harris, Kory Major, John Ottens, Tammy Therrien, Heather Titterton, Stacey Zorn

#### Grade 9

April Bedard, Andrea Bentham, Lindsay Godolphin, Jordan Johnson, Amy Martinson, Meagan Moi, Mark Stark, Sarah Wyatt

#### Grade 8

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### Meritorious achievement

#### Grade 10

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#### Grade 9

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#### Grade 8

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### Honourable mention

#### Grade 10

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#### Grade 9

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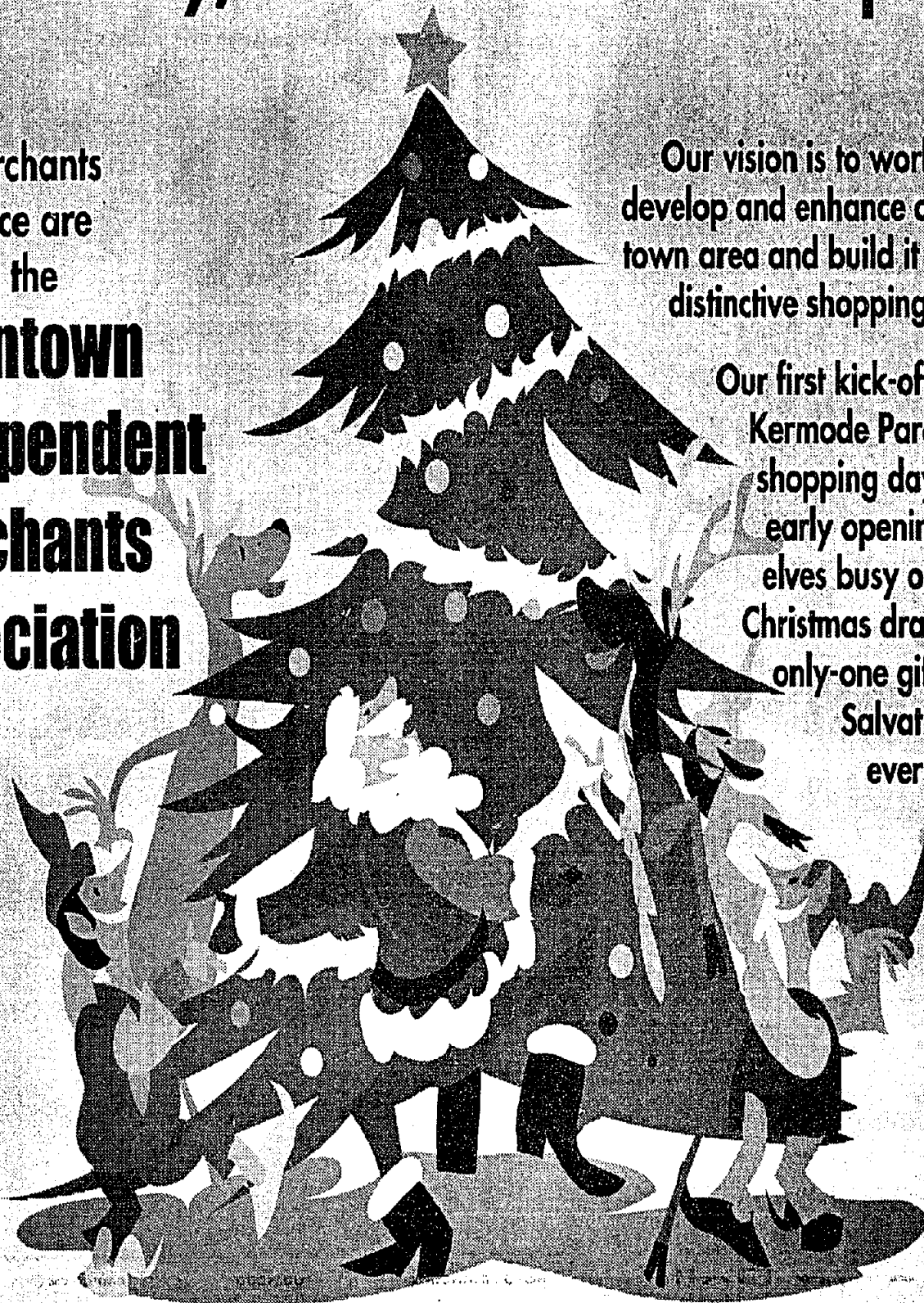
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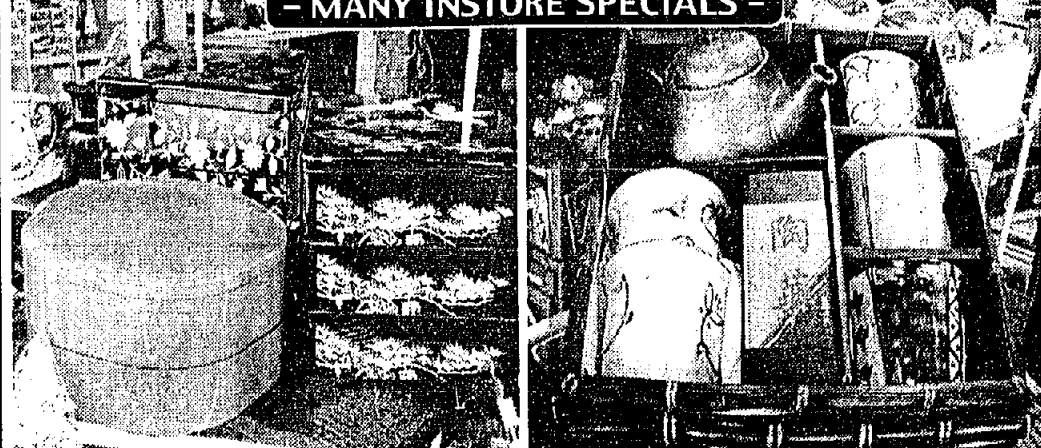
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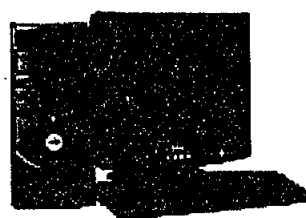
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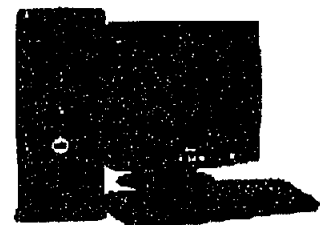


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## SPORTS

## Let it snow

Skiers and snowboarders are psyched about the all white stuff

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN  
BY THE TIME 50 cm of snow fell in less than 24 hours at Shames Mountain last week, employees lost track of how much was accumulating.

The big dump of fat, white flakes Nov. 27 meant one thing – an early opening.

The local ski resort was scheduled to open Dec. 10 but with so much snow hitting the slopes that day's been moved up to this Friday – Dec. 5.

"It's crazy how much snow is up there and how quickly it fell," says Shames Mountain spokesperson Reyann McDonnell.

"The guys have been up there working like crazy doing all the track packing."

The early opening is a welcome blessing for skiers and snowboarders frustrated by the latest start in the mountain's 14 year history last season.

Months of waiting for enough accumulation to crank up the chair lift didn't see the resort open for regular business until Jan. 29.

That was followed by very little snow in season and an early resort closure.

Nick Gascon, 14, is just one of many eager skiers who was praying for snow just two weeks ago.

He's a member of the Shames Mountain Ski Club's alpine racing team.

He's can't wait to start tucking into the turns and speeding through race courses as the competitive alpine ski season gets under way.

"I'm looking forward to this



NICK GASCON, a member of the Shames Mountain alpine race team, is optimistic about the upcoming ski season. He can't wait for big powder days. SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN PHOTO

year – I hope Shames' ski season is a lot longer," Gascon says.

"Last year when Shames

whole different story.

Unlike many competitive racers who were brought up hitting

cing that really appeals to him.

"I watch other guys race and I think, 'I can do that, I can go that fast,'" he says. "It's a challenge and that's what I like about it."

The ski club has expanded its programs this year introducing an all-new freestyle ski team and is building on last year's snowboarding program.

The alpine team has already started dry-land training indoors at the Terrace Peaks gymnastics club's gym and they'll be hitting the slopes very soon.

**"It's crazy how much snow is up there and how quickly it fell."**

wasn't open we went to Smithers every two weeks."

That meant a lot of time spent on a bus and losing the advantage of training on his home mountain. This year is shaping up to be a

the slopes, Gascon didn't take up skiing until just three years ago.

After a year in the Alcan Nancy Greene program he realized how much he loved skiing. It's the competitive nature of ra-

## Bluebacks prep for regional champs

By SARAH A. ZIMMERMAN  
THIS WEEKEND is a big one for Terrace area swimmers as the northwest regional championships get under way in Prince Rupert Nov. 5-7.

Dozens of Terrace Bluebacks hope to make a splash at the event.

The championship marks the last in a series of meets around the province which have kept both developmental and senior competitive swimmers busy this month.

Last weekend Allison Knoedler, Marlee cater, Dakota Algor and Evan Watson made the trip to south to compete at the Richmond Fast Swim.

The meet sees about 500 athletes from

some of the best clubs in B.C. and Alberta attending.

Head coach Mike Carlyle says it's a chance for Terrace swimmers to see exactly where they sit in the grand scheme of competitive swimming.

"The level of competition is very high," says Carlyle. "It's great to put things into perspective."

In past years, once swimmers have a chance to see how fast they need to be swimming to just make consolation finals, they tend to come back reinvigorated and more goal-oriented, Carlyle says.

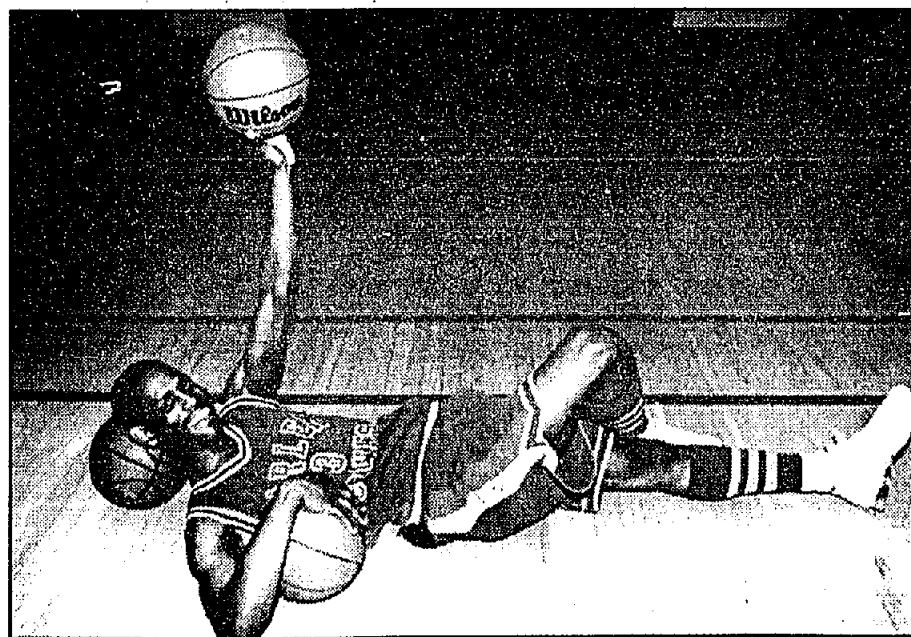
The previous weekend several swimmers

attended the Dick Byl Law Fall Invitational in Prince George.

Dayna Pedro and Marlee Cater both logged 100 per cent best times in each of their events. A good percentage of best times was also attained by other athletes including Dakota Algor, Janine Callieou, Adam Derow, Adriann Kruger, Caitlin Scales and Allison Knoedler.

Knoedler also broke two club records at the event. The big surprise came with her time in the 200 freestyle, because that tends to be one of her weaker strokes.

"We've been doing a lot of work on the freestyle turns," Carlyle says, which helps shave precious seconds off times.



HERBIE Scaife Jr. is one of the zany – but very talented – Harlem Crowns basketball team members taking to the hard wood tonight at the Caledonia gym.

## Local hoopsters take on wacky Harlem Crowns

THEY'RE a little bit wacky, have a whole lot of talent and they're playing in Terrace tonight.

The Harlem Crowns basketball team hits the hard wood tonight as they take on a group of local celebrities and basketball players.

The Crowns were formed in the mid-1950s by former Harlem Globetrotter

Chico Burrell.

The idea was to bring together basketball players with exceptional skill, college basketball experience and a knack for showmanship and zany antics.

The team's travelled all over the U.S., Canada and Japan and Singapore.

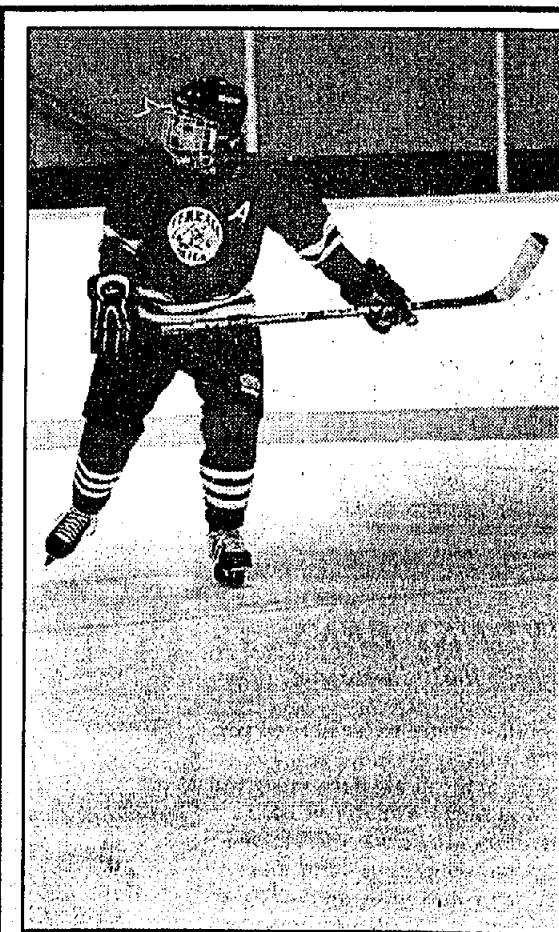
The famed basketball team takes on Terrace celebrities including All Na-

tive basketball tournament veterans such as Arnie Pelletier.

Pelletier is also the Skeena boys basketball team's assistant coach.

The game is set for 7 p.m. tonight at the Caledonia gym.

A portion of ticket sales (\$7) goes to the Skeena boys basketball team for travelling expenses.



## Skate hard

RYLAND FINDLAY looks up the ice during a game against Williams Lake at a tournament there Nov. 15-16. Terrace's bantam rep team met some seriously stiff competition taking on AAA teams from B.C. and Alberta. The bantams host Kitimat this Friday night and Saturday morning. Then they're off for two exhibition games in Prince Rupert Saturday night and Sunday. SONYA KLAUSAT PHOTO



SKREENA ANGLER  
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## Sam

The perfect last name for a seller of fishing tackle may be "Fish," as in Irving Fish or Myron Fish, but the name Sam Bass has to be close to ideal. In the case of Mr. Samuel L. Bass of Athens, Georgia, Chief Executive Officer of the largest chain of retail fishing tackle stores in the world, the fishy moniker is singularly appropriate.

I use the term C.E.O. cautiously when describing the man his employees call "Mighty Sam" or "The Great Bass," and who always referred to himself simply as "the Boss."

The Boss Bass's journey from rags to riches, wasn't quite that; it was more of a journey from neatly dressed, clean scrubbed, middle class white boy to enormously wealthy tycoon, but no less interesting because of that.

Sam's dad sold cars in Franklin, Georgia, on a lot owned by a powerful plantation family with large holdings on the eastern side of the Georgia/Alabama state line. The family lived in a modest house where Sam's dad's salesmanship, along with his talent for swinging wrenches on the side, earned his family enough income to afford some "coloured" help.

Paul, the black gardener, must have noticed that the head of the family, as a consequence of his two jobs, had little time for his boy, for he quietly made arrangements to take young Sam to the Cataboochee River where, as Sam said, "the old nigra indoctrinated me in the ways of the catfish and the crappie, and later on, the big mouth bass."

Some of his dad's entrepreneurial flair was evident in Sam at an early age. That talent, a fierce competitiveness that expressed itself first on the ponds and streams near Franklin, and absolutely no fear of hard work, would eventually power the engine of one of America's merchant monoliths.

"When me and Paul fished," said Sam, "I had to catch more fish – didn't matter if it was just one – I had to be tops or I'd get a mood on as black as shoe polish. When I think back on it though, I'm pretty sure that old black man, sweet old devil that he was, always took care that I was top rod."

And that's not all his black babysitter took care of. Somewhere along the way he taught Sam how to cast lead weights with forms cut out of old boards. These weights and the catfish the pair caught were the products that led to Sam's first venture into retail.

"I got fascinated with tackle," said Sam. By the time I was in high school, I'd become a regular powerhouse merchandiser: packaging up beads and floats; buyin' up swivels and lures – the works. I made enough buyin' cheap and sellin' dear to buy my first shop."

It was in that tiny shop in Griffin, Georgia that Sam learned to buy cheap and sell cheap – but not as cheap. As commonplace as "discounting" is now, it was all but unheard of 60 years ago. The shop's success was unbelievable, so successful, in fact, that within a decade Sam had five more in Georgia and neighbouring states. By then he'd branched out into every branch of the tackle business and was so wealthy he "couldn't get his head around it." He was so wealthy that he decided take a holiday for the first time in his life.

He arrived in Terrace set on fishing steelhead. That's where I met him.

"All fishin' is catfishin' deep down," he told me, and I had to admit he caught onto steelheading quickly. His eyes were a sharp blue, deeply sunk in his craggy face. At the end of his trip, I asked how it felt, at the end of his career, to be one of the wealthiest men in America. We were sitting at the head of the Moose Crossing. He gazed into the rippling reflections downstream.

"I see a writhing sea of rubber worms, spinners, cheap rods, and plastic junk. People, thousands of 'em, are drownin' in it; and a big part of it is my fault. Buyin' and sellin', wheelin' and dealin', my God, I was so wrapped up in it I was no different than an addict with his dope. Now there's nothin' that ain't for sale and advertisin' is soakin' through everythin'. The Bible says worshipping Mammon is a foul thing. But I did it, and now we're all doin' it. By the time I realized what I was doin' my business was bigger'n me, and it galloped off like a herd of wild horses. Nobody can control those horses now. Nobody can rein 'em in. It's the gospel of greed and they're horses of the apocalypse."

He paused for a long time.

"A lifetime ago," he said wistfully, "my old nigra, Paul, told me to live good and live simple. I didn't do neither, but I would if I could go back."



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- Establishing and maintaining communication links to the various Nisga'a communities in order to determine educational needs, to establish appropriate timelines for courses, and to communicate program offerings clearly and consistently to all interested students.
- Set up and maintain accurate student files. Provide student statistics to the CEO.
- Preparing various reports such as program plans, budgets and year-end review as requested by the CEO and Board of Directors.

## Qualifications:

Candidates must possess a Bachelor's degree (preferably in the area of Natural Resources) and a minimum of three years directly related experience. Candidates must also demonstrate strong oral and written communication skills particularly in the area of proposal writing for the purpose of securing funding. Familiarity with the Nisga'a language and culture is a definite asset.

Salary is commensurate with education and experience. A probationary period of one year will be in effect. Please send resume and supporting documentation (evidence of education obtained, current referee's support letters, and contact information) to WILP WILXO'OSKWHL NISGA'A, PO Box 237, New Aiyansh, B.C. V0J 1A0. Telephone: (250) 633-2292, Facsimile: (250) 633-2463. The application deadline is Thursday, December 11, 2003 at 4:00 p.m. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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## ADULT SUNSHINE CENTRE PROGRAM AIDE

Terrace, BC Comp. No. X03-NW2027  
Part-Time (Monday to Friday 10:00AM - 3:00PM)

Under the general supervision of the Adult Day Centre Coordinator, the Adult Day Centre Aide assists the Coordinator in providing a balanced program of purposeful services and activities for Day Centre clients in accordance with agency policy and procedures.

## Required Education, Training and Experience:

Graduate of a recognized Long Term Care Program and experience with seniors or a combination of post secondary training and experience. Must be physically capable of carrying out all job description requirements. Must be bondable.

## Skills and Abilities:

Ability to work independently as well as under the supervision of agency staff. Ability to deal with crisis and to work under stress when crisis occurs. Have a valid BC driver's license and a vehicle with business insurance. Demonstrated ability to assist with planned activities in a professional manner consistent with established administrative practices, procedures and regulations.

CLOSING DATE: December 8, 2003

Please include a reference to the Competition Number on your resume and forward it to:

Mark Webster, HR Recruitment Assistant

300 - 299 Victoria Street,

Prince George, BC V2L 5B8

Fax: (250) 565-2251

Email: [hr@northernhealth.ca](mailto:hr@northernhealth.ca)

[www.northernhealth.ca](http://www.northernhealth.ca)

We thank all applicants however only those short-listed will be contacted.

Toll Free: 1-877-905-1155 ~ [hr@northernhealth.ca](mailto:hr@northernhealth.ca)

## Community School Coordinator

Kalum Horsehoe Community School Society

Linking Schools, Families and Community Project

The Kalum Horsehoe Community School Society (KHCS) is seeking a self-motivated, resourceful and experienced Community School Coordinator to implement and manage the Linking School, Families and Community Project and to further the long-term goals of the society. The coordinator is accountable and reports to the Kalum Horsehoe Community School Society.

## Responsibilities:

- Initiate, develop, plan, promote, implement, supervise, and evaluate project programs, activities and strategies as defined by KHCS.
- Facilitate the development of cooperative working relationships between community school(s), community groups, government, and business.
- Market and promote the project, the society and its programs.
- Act as a support and resource for community-based school events.
- Seek and obtain additional funding to supplement and expand the project and KHCS programs in consultation with the society.
- Recruit, train, supervise and coordinate society volunteers and work collaboratively with other society staff.
- Fulfill reporting requirements for the project and the society.
- Monitor project budget and review financial reports with the society treasurer.
- Plan and promote full use of community school facilities and equipment to meet community needs.

## Knowledge and Skills:

- Post-secondary education and experience in a human service related discipline
- Training and experience in project management/co-ordination
- Demonstrated experience in community development
- Demonstrated skill at developing positive working relationships in multi-cultural communities
- Demonstrated leadership skills and competency in public speaking
- Excellent oral and written communication skills, including competence in communicating respectfully with diverse groups
- Strong computer skills
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and in a team environment,
- Knowledge of community resources, services and agencies

This is a twelve-month, thirty-five hour a week position, with the understanding that the position may be renewed contingent on funding. Occasional evening and weekend hours are required. Salary and benefits are commensurate with the training and experience required for the position. The successful candidate must successfully undergo a Provincial criminal record check.

Submit application with at least two written references by noon December 12th to:

Kalum Horsehoe Community School Society  
C/o The Family Place, 4553 Park Avenue, Terrace BC V8G 1V3  
Fax: (250) 638-1873

Only those applicants selected for interview will be contacted.



16/37 COMMUNITY FUTURES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

## Job Description:

The Coordinator will take direction from the General Manager and work closely with stakeholders in the aboriginal communities to provide support with community economic development proposals and business plans.

- Extensive travel to northern communities is required

- Provide reports to the General Manager Board of Directors and appropriate funding agency

## Qualifications:

Will be a highly motivated self-starter and able to work well with all aboriginal communities and organizations in the 16/37 CFDC service area.

- Strong interpersonal skills are essential.

- Experience with proposal and business planning, financial statements, computer literate and strong communication skills, oral and written.

- Familiar with the Fishing, Forestry, Tourism, and Service industry would be an asset.

- Facilitation skills required

- Community Economic Development experience essential

- Familiar with the Aboriginal Communities in the 16/37 Community Futures Development Corporation service area.

Preference will be given to a candidate with Post Secondary Education degree in Business Administration or Economic Development.

## Salary:

Commensurate with experience

Attention: General Manager

16/37 Community Futures

Development Corporation

Suite 204 - 4630 Lazelle Ave.

Terrace, B.C. V8G 1S6

Phone (250)635-5449

Fax (250)635-2698

Only successful short listed applicants will be notified.

This position is based on the successful procurement of a contract.

Resumes must be received no later than 4pm on Friday December 5th 2003.



## MINISTRY OF CHILDREN &amp; FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

## AUXILIARY COMMUNITY LIVING SERVICES WORKERS

• SMITHERS: ON-CALL (COMPETITION #CF2003:39)

• TERRACE: TEMPORARY - AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY UNTIL MARCH 31, 2004 (COMPETITION #CF2003:40)

You will primarily: • help adults and children with developmental disabilities to maximize their potential towards independence • assess requests for service • determine eligibility • develop and monitor service plans • counsel and provide crisis intervention • cultivate residential and other resources • coordinate special needs day-care placements as well as Community Living Services adult and children's resources in the community.

Requirements include a BSW or MSW; or a BA in Child and Youth Care; or an M.Ed Counselling or an MA Clinical Psychology, combined with completion of a practicum in family and child welfare. Certain types of in-service experience will be considered equivalent. You also bring to the role: • knowledge of acts, programs and legislation pertaining to persons with disabilities • sound judgement and effective problem-solving techniques • a strong aptitude for service planning strategies • case and workload management capabilities • excellent verbal/written communication skills. Experience working with persons with developmental disabilities is preferred. You will be required to pass a criminal record review and a police record check. As travel will be involved, your transportation must meet ministry requirements. Eligibility lists may be established to fill future vacancies.

**SALARY: \$23.98 - \$31.94 hourly.** Prior to applying, you must access website [http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/postings/short\\_term\\_auxiliary/cf2003-038.htm](http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/postings/short_term_auxiliary/cf2003-038.htm) or contact the applicable closing location for a complete list of duties and qualifications. Please submit a BC Government Employment Application form, available at <http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/postings/applicat.pdf>, (résumé optional) quoting the specific competition number, to the following locations:

**Smithers:** Community Living Services Office, Bag 5000, Smithers, BC V0J 2N0. Fax 250.847.7549. For information contact Elizabeth Bulmer at 250.847.7780.  
**Terrace:** Community Living Services Office, 400 - 4545 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace, BC V8G 4E1. Fax: 250.638.2341. For information contact Cecile Fifi at 250.638.2330.

Closing date for both competitions is December 12, 2003.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only individuals selected for assessment will be contacted.

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[www.bcpublicservice.ca/postings](http://www.bcpublicservice.ca/postings)



**258 Careers**

**SWAN LAKE** Chrysler in Vernon is requiring a full time Technician/Apprentice. Must have 2 yrs or more experience as well, work as a team player. Send resumes to 6365 Hwy 97 N., Vernon, B.C., V1B 3R4

**270 Help Wanted**

**TITAN SUPPLY** Inc. with 16 locations in BC and Alberta has openings in Quesnel for quality, experienced, and motivated individuals to join our team. Successful applicants will be dealing with a diversified customer base including sawmills, forestry, pulp mills, mining and manufacturing. We are looking for experience with inside/outside sales including industrial supplies, mechanical power transmission, and ground engaging and/or hydraulic products. Interested applicants may apply in writing by November 28, 2003 including resume to: Email: [brocplay@titansupply.ca](mailto:brocplay@titansupply.ca) or mail to: Titan Supply Inc., ATTN: Brian Cropley, PO Box 6000, Vernon, BC V1T 8M2

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**WANTED: EXPERIENCED** Logging truck driver Burns Lake Area. Steady job. July-March. Off highway haul. Wage includes benefit plan. (250) 698-7607 or Fax (250) 698-7902. (48P3)

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**WANTED: LIVE-IN** care giver, to care for seniors. Must speak Filipino and English. c/o File No. 164, Terrace Standard, 3210 Clinton Street, Terrace, B.C. V8G 5R2 (48P3)

**278 Skilled Trades**

**HEAVY DUTY** mechanic needed for camp job in Prince George area. Must have at least 5 years experience in CAT logging equipment repairs. Please fax resume to 250-260-5862.

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**278 Skilled Trades**

**COLLISION REPAIR** Facility in Quesnel requires a Full-time Journeyman Collision Repair Tech. Must have experience in all aspects of collision repair. Fax resume to 250-747-2897 or Call 250-747-2887.

**290 Work Wanted**

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Drop by The Family Place at 4553 Park Ave. or call 638-1113.  
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**NEW ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS,** close to town, four appliances. Non-smokers, no pets. \$550/mo. Damage deposit required. November 1/03. Call 250-635-1622 or 250-635-2250 (42TFN)

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**TWO BEDROOM** house close to school in Thornhill. \$450/mo utilities included, large yard. Pets allowed. Call 250-635-4395 evenings. (47P3)

**TWO BEDROOM** house. Natural Gas heat, f/s, w/d, fenced yard, shed. Ideal for 1 or 2 working people. Horseshoe Area. References Required. Phone: (250) 635-3871. (48P3)

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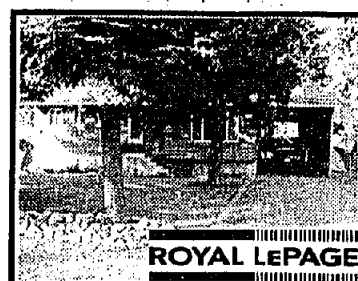
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### 740 Snowmobiles

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## 815 LEGAL NOTICES

**BRITISH COLUMBIA** NOTICE INVITING APPLICATION FOR  
**TIMBER SALE LICENCE A64077**

Take notice that, pursuant to Section 20 of the Forest Act, timber sale licence A64077 is being offered for sale by the Skeena Business Area.

Closing Date: December 18, 2003 at 8:30 a.m.

Geographic Location: Skeena West

Estimated Volume: 4329 cubic metres, more or less

Term: 9 months

Logging Method: This timber sale licence is decked right of way wood plus a small patch of blowdown and is designed to be harvested using ground skidding operations. The use of other systems may be subject to the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act and its regulations.

Upset Stumpage Rate: The upset stumpage rate was determined by the variable cost method and is applicable only to coniferous green sawlog grades (except grade 3).

Upset Stumpage Rate/cubic metre for competitive volumes:

Timber Mark	Product	Volume	Rate
64077	Sawlog	2418 m <sup>3</sup>	\$12.48

Species Percent:

Timber Mark	Species	Percent (%)
64077	Hemlock	80%
64077	Balsam	40%

This timber sale licence contains 1913 m<sup>3</sup> of non-competitive volume and is fully developed.

Tenders will only be accepted from individuals or corporations registered as a BC Timber Sales Enterprise in Category Any.

This licence is subject to, among other things, new maximum term limits and extension, fee and surrender provisions. Applicants are advised to carefully consider the impact of these changes when formulating their bids. Further information on these changes may be found in Advisory Bulletin 11/04/03.

Applications will be accepted by the Timber Sales Manager, Terrace Timber Sales Office, Skeena Business Area, 200 - 5220 Keith Avenue, Terrace, British Columbia V8G 1L1 until 8:30 a.m. on December 18, 2003.

There is additional material that the applicant must consider in their application. This material which includes application forms and other information about the TSL can be obtained from the above BC Timber Sales Business Area Office.

Tender packages are available at the above address, or by contacting the receptionist at 250-638-5100.

For field enquiries only, contact Trevor Shannon.

An electronic version of this notice is available at: <http://www5.for.gov.bc.ca/notices/tnlt.do?noticeId=580>

**CITY OF TERRACE  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**DISPOSAL OF LAND**

TAKE NOTICE THAT, in accordance with the Local Government Act, the Council of the City of Terrace intends to dispose of Coburn Street and a portion of lane (both totalling 572 m<sup>2</sup>) dedicated as road and lane by Plan 3967, District Lot 360, Range 5, Coast District, stopped up and closed by City of Terrace Bylaw 1801-2003, and title vested in the name of the City of Terrace through provincial Highway Abandonment Approval Number 2003174 and shown hatched on the map shown below, to the adjacent property owners, Robert & Laura Biagioni for the purpose of consolidating the lands into one legal parcel, for the sum of one dollar plus all costs associated with the road closing, vesting of title, and consolidation process.

**DOCUMENTATION INSPECTION:**  
DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF LAND MAY BE INSPECTED between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., each day, from Wednesday, December 3rd, 2003 to Monday, December 8th, 2003 excluding Saturdays and Sundays in the reception area at the City of Terrace PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING at 5003 Graham Avenue, Terrace, B.C.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 185 and 187 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, R.S.B.C., 1996, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

TAKE NOTICE and be governed accordingly.  
RON POOLE, Chief Administrative Officer

## Presentation

On the economic diversification of Terrace region and on the creation of small independent businesses. Project sustained by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada for rural regions.

**Date: December 13, 2003**

**Place: Restaurant l'Ambiance  
at 6:00 p.m., Limited seating.**

*Please make a reservation.*

This study is being put together by AFFNO in collaboration with SDE, Canadian Heritage and Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada.



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LEAH MacKay, captain of the Grade 8 girls' volleyball team, Kaali Jobb, Cal's captain and Samantha Morrow, junior girls' team captain, are proud to see three championship banners in Terrace this year.

## Girls volleyball

# Terrace teams take three zone titles

THREE TIMES is a charm, or so it seems for girls volleyball this year.

Terrace has taken home three girls' zone championships this year - at the Grade 8, junior and senior high levels.

The Skeena Wildcats Grade 8 girls Nov. 22 victory marked the third zone championship win in as many weeks for girls teams in Terrace and that's something the two local high schools are proud of.

The Grade 8 girls hosted the zone tournament Nov. 22 at the Skeena gymnasium taking on teams from Prince Rupert to Smithers and Houston.

The team dominated its first game against Houston winning two straight sets 25-12 and 25-6.

Next up was Prince Rupert who Terrace defeated two straight going 25-16 in both sets. In the semi-finals Terrace met Bulkley

Valley Christian School - an exceptionally talented squad. The girls lost their first match 25-23 but won the next two sets straight to advance to the championships final.

Terrace met Charles Hays in the finals winning its first set, losing the second and forcing a tie-breaker.

The home-town team - with oodles of support from loud fans - pulled off a win to clinch the top spot in the zone.

"The girls have been so dedicated and have practised so hard as a team," said coach Candace Klein. "I am so proud of them. It all came together for the zones."

Marlee Cater, Ashley Challenger, Lori Hales, Samantha Koopmans, Leah MacKay, Morgan Oleskevich, Kayla Pelletier, Alyssa Purchase, Natasha Ray, Teagan Redden, Emily Reinbolt.

## They're going to the games

TERRACE'S PeeWee boys B team will be going to the Northern B.C. Winter Games in Kitimat come February.

The local team earned its spot at the games after two decisive back to back games in Hazelton Nov. 22.

Playing in a best of three format, Terrace took on Hazelton but proved a third game wasn't necessary after winning the first game 12-5 followed by a 21-5 beating.

The team is coached by Tom Turner, assisted by Kevin Legros and Steve Turner.

The 11-12 year old players on the team consist of: Joey Cormano, Corbin Legros, Ben Reinbolt, Ceasar Kenyon, Jeremy Vanderbroek, Mackenzie Turner, Ben Bingham, Willie Zorn, Curtis Bolton, Wade Foster, Corry Hubbard, Michael Leong, Brandon Merritt, Reid Turner, Rajan Sanga, Spenser Krupp and Hayden Atkinson.

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## Sports menu

To get your game, event or meeting added to the Terrace Standard Sports Menu or Sports Scope, fax us at 638-8432, or e-mail us at: [newsroom@terracestandard.com](mailto:newsroom@terracestandard.com)

**Dec. 3**  
■ The Harlem Crowns challenge a local celebrity basketball team. This is a fun-filled family event. 7 p.m. at Caledonia school.

**Dec. 5**  
■ Shames Mountain's opening day. Call 635-3773 for details.

**Dec. 6-7**  
■ Skeena Wildcats boys basketball tournament.

**Dec. 12-13**  
■ The Caledonia senior boys basketball team hosts the annual Ker-mode Classic tournament.

**Dec. 12**  
■ Pee Wee reps vs. Smithers 8 p.m. Bantam reps vs. Kitimat 10 p.m. Terrace arena.

**Dec. 13**  
■ Pee Wee reps vs. Smithers 10 a.m. Bantam reps vs. Kitimat 12 noon. Terrace arena.

**Dec. 17**  
■ Terrace Skating Club hosts its annual Christ-

mas pop concert at the Terrace arena. 4-6:15 p.m.

**Jan. 2-4**  
■ The Terrace novice house hockey division hosts its annual tournament at the Terrace arena, featuring teams of seven and eight year old teams from around the northwest.

**Jan. 16-18**  
■ Terrace Bluebacks host an all-level meet at the aquatic centre. Featuring a regional development meet on the 17th.

**Jan. 16**  
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